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Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 4, 1855.

On Wednesday Mr. HOUSTON, Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means in the House, intends moving a motion for the consideration of the Tariff question, when, if he gets the subject before the body, he will drop his bill of last Session and make the fight upon the substitute which I send herewith.

Upon examination of this substitute, you will find it is the project which I described a month ago, and that it proposes a general reduction of 20 per cent. of the duties under each of the schedules of the Tariff of '46. In addition to this measure of general reduction, transfers are made of sundry articles named, from one schedule to another, whereby the duties upon those transferred articles are reduced much more than 20 per cent. Wool, for instance, is transferred to the schedule of 30 per cent, under the existing Tariff, and the 9 per cent. under the substitute.

It will also be seen that the Committee, by these transfers, have sought to bring about a compromise between the friends of GEORGE's proposition and their foes. Leaving the discussion of the merits of this new scheme to your Commercial Editor, who is much better qualified than I am to write upon that subject, I will only say that the new bill will be much stronger in the House than the old one; but I still maintain the opinion that no general modification of the tariff can be carried through during the brief remainder of the session. Still, it has the possibility of success, with skillful management.

TOMBS'S Mr. CHAVOOS is pledged to move the Senate again to take up the French Spoliation bill. He will do so, however; and you need not be surprised if that fellow is conceded to be the death-blow to the measure.

There are weighty interests pressing against the measure in the Senate; and there will be a powerful lobbying for precedence to-morrow among the friends of the Spoliation, the Pacific Railroad, and the Sunday's Bounty Land bills. Divided upon these three measures, it will be almost or quite impossible to get up the first named; and in the event that the friends of the other two can be brought to agree upon a common project, they will be able to carry it through. I think the bill will be again lost.

The President and Secretary of State, I am informed, have taken prompt action in behalf of the interests of PHILIP E. SANDERS & Co., whose ships were recently driven from Eird Island by an armed vessel of Venezuela. It is supposed that the claim of this Company has already gone to the extent of this outrage; but just she has not, orders have been sent out to meet her at Aspinwall, detaining her for ground there at once to do whatever is found necessary and proper. Of course if Venezuela can show any reasonable pretext of title to the Island, the parties in possession by her authority will not be disturbed; but it is not supposed she will be able to do anything of the sort.

An impression prevails in some quarters that the House will reject the Senate's amendment to the Army bill, providing an addition of four new regiments to the military establishment. There will be a struggle on this point, and the Committee of Ways and Means will urge that two regiments only be authorized; and a compromise will finally be made, if I mistake not, upon three regiments—little enough, certainly, in view of our widely extended frontier and the growing necessity which exists for establishing military posts on the emigrant route across the plains. If there is any valid argument against this increase, it applies equally as well in favor of an entire abolition of the army; but if we are to have an army at all, it surely is important that it should be strong enough to repel aggression, instead of being so miserably weak and inefficient as to invite attack. Any one who will carefully examine the report of the Secretary of War, and the statement of the present location and strength (!) of our frontier posts, can scarcely fail to see that he is bound to vote either an increase of the army or its entire abolition.

The COLT Patent extension case was up in the House again yesterday, when Mr. LETCHER made a speech against it, which, in some respects, at least, was not becoming to his public character and position. He freely admits that he believes Mr. COLT to be a gentleman; that he has no idea that he was himself engaged in any efforts to carry his bill by corrupt means, and that there was no evidence before the Committee that any member of Congress had been improperly approached on the subject. Why then is Mr. LETCHER not satisfied with opposing the application for the extension of the COLT Patent upon its merits? Why does he come into the House and attempt to excite prejudice against Mr. COLT by stating that he was somewhat under the influence of liquor when before the Committee for examination?

This sort of personality certainly must react upon the cause which Mr. LETCHER pleads so earnestly. An opponent looks a little suspicious when it abandons high considerations of principle or public policy, and descends to expressions of this sort. Men in a position as public as Congressmen are naturally led to believe there must be something of personal prejudice or obstinate pride of opinion, if nothing worse, at the back of an opposition which seeks to prevent by such means.

This whole COLT investigation has proved itself a miserable farce. I submit that if it has established corruption anywhere, it has made it questionable, that corruption in that attempt is found directly against rather than for the COLT extension; and the earnestness with which Col. COLT is pursued on side issues, not affecting the merits of his application, don't serve to allay the suspicion that this adverse combination is even much stronger than has been generally supposed.

I don't wish to be understood as saying anything on one side or the other of this COLT controversy, upon its merits. A year ago I took occasion to defend certain proceedings on the part of one of Mr. COLT's attorneys; and my position on that point has never changed, and must be remembered against me hereafter in case that the time between of Congress should come when the bill, introduced to defeat his application, shall be called up for passage. I may believe Col. COLT to be a gentleman, and yet be not at liberty to support his application for an extension of his patent.

Mr. WITTE presented a memorial from the citizens of Burlington, Iowa, praying for the erection of a Marine Hospital of that place. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. SEBASTIAN introduced a bill to change the boundaries of the Champagnolo Land District, Arkansas. Read three times and passed.

Mr. SEBASTIAN also presented the memorial of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas for grants of lands, and for the construction of a Railroad along the Western border of Arkansas to Texas. Also, for the construction of a Railroad from the Missouri line to Pulaski, on the Mississippi River. Also, resolutions in favor of the continuance of the Naval Depôt at Memphis. All appropriately referred.

Mr. TOUCEY submitted a resolution instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of the Repealing Act, passed June 22, 1848, amending the act for the Registration of Seamen on board public and private armed vessels of the United States, and passed March 2, 1813. Resolution agreed to.

Mr. HAMILTON called up the French Spoliation Bill, and tried to press it to a vote.

Mr. WELLS asked an opportunity to speak upon it, and it was made the special order for to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

Mr. GWIN introduced a bill for the establishment of a semi-monthly line of steamers from San Francisco to Puget's Sound.

Mr. TOUCEY reported a bill from the Committee on the Judiciary, establishing a United States Circuit Court within and for the State of California. Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

A resolution was adopted by a vote of 126 against 42, setting apart the 8th inst for the consideration of bills of a public character, reported and to be reported, from the Committee on the Judiciary, and Tuesday the 13th inst., for the consideration of public bills from the Committee on Naval Affairs.

The House, by a vote of 108 against 55, passed the Senate bill refunding the duties on railroad iron imported by the West Feliciana Railroad and Georgia Railroad Companies, but which was not laid down according to the provisions of the law allowing the importation of railroad iron duty free, under certain circumstances, owing to the financial embarrassments of the country. Similar relief has been extended to other Companies.

Mr. HOUSTON asked leave to offer a resolution that for the remainder of the present session all debate in the Committee of the Whole State of the Union shall be confined strictly to the question under consideration, unless evening sessions shall be held for general debate.

The House refused the suspension of the rules by a vote of 103 against 73. Not two-thirds.

On motion of Mr. WELLS, the House took up and passed the Senate bill, changing the appropriations for the erection of a building in Milwaukee for Custom House, Post-Office and Courts.

Two other bills were passed as special favors, on motion severally of Messrs. ETHERIDGE and SHAW.

ANTI-KNOW-NOTHINGISM.

Mr. WITTE asked leave to introduce the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, Disturbances have been indulged in this House, in Committee of the Whole, which, with other circumstances, lead to the conviction that there exists in this country an extensive secret oath-bound political association, which seems intended to interfere with the liberty of the citizen and the country—such an association as caused the Revolutionary patriots of Massachusetts, in his Excellency Gov. HANCOCK's time, to declare it to be the opinion of this House the existence of secret oath-bound political associations, having in view an interference with the security of the ballot-box, and the direction of the course of national or municipal legislation, is incompatible with and dangerous to the institution of Republicanism, and directly tending to the subversion of our government.

Resolved, That our representatives on the any class of citizens on account of their religion, or on account of their birth, or to favor or injure any religious denomination or political organization, in its direct violation of the Constitution of the United States.

Resolved, That whilst a careful and strict examination of the Constitution leaves us a certain duty, yet every Congressman upon the presumption of the existence of such alliances in interference with the plighted faith of our fathers, and inconsistent with the general and prosperity of our country, we feel it our duty to inquire into the existence of such alliances.

Question was put.

Mr. WITTE—I move the suspension of the rules, and wish the vote to be regarded as a test question.

Mr. WENTWORTH, of Ill.—I want a call of the House on a full vote. We ought to show hands. I am prepared.

The House ordered the call.

Mr. BAYLY, of Va.—No gentleman can propose a test for me. The resolutions propose no action, and I shall vote against the motion to suspend the rules.

Mr. STANTON, of Tenn.—So shall I, Judge BAYLY and I am no Know-Nothing.

Mr. JONES, of Tenn.—I am satisfied no good, but harm will be done to-day, and I therefore move that the House adjourn.

Not carried. Much scrutiny, and voices "Question!" "Pass the Music!"

The question was taken on suspending the rules. Decided negatively—104 against 79—not two-thirds.

YEAS—Messrs. James C. Allen of Ill., Willis Allen of Ill., Appleton, Ash, Bailey of Ga., Barksdale, Barry, Belcher, Bennett, Bocock, Boyd, Brown of Miss., Bryan, Cadwalader, Cox, Chandler, Chastain, Clemens, Cluett, Cockerill, Davis, Davis of Md., Davis of Ind., Dean, Dimmick, Dowdell, Edmundson, Fillmore, Fuller, Giddings, Green, Grow, Hamilton, Harlan, Harvey, Hawes, Hoffman, Hoffman of Md., Houston, Howard, Hunter, Jones of Tenn., Kennett, Kerr, Kurtz, Lane, Lawrence, Leiter, Letcher, Lilly, Lindley of N. Y., Lindley of Ill., Lyon, Mace, Maclay, Mason, Maxwell, McMullin, Mr. Millson of Va., Moore, Murphy, Nichols, Olds, Olney, Parker, Pennington of N. J., Perry, Pettit, Phillips, Pratt, Pringle, Purviance, Ricaud, Richardson, Robbins, Roberts, Robinson of Ill., Rogers, Ruffner, Sabin, Sapp, Scott, Sharpe, Shaw, Shower, Smith of Va., Stanton of Tenn., Stevens of Pa., Stevenson of Va., Thurman, Tyson, Vansant, Walbridge, Walker, Walton, Watkins, Watson, Westbrook of Ill., Wells, Westbrook of Ill., Witte, Wright of Miss., Wright of Penn.—104.

NAYS—Messrs. Aiken, Bayly of Va., Bill, Banks, Benson, Bennett, Bugg, Campbell, Carter, Chaffee, Clark, Comins, Cook, Cole, Curtis, Cutting, Davis of Mass., Dickinson, Dodge of Iowa, Durfee, Edgerton, Ellison, Fairchild, Faulkner, Fenton, Fletcher, Franklin, Goodwin, Gray, Grow, Harlan of Ohio, Harlan of Ky., Haven, Houston, Howe, Hunt, Jones C. N. Y., Kerr, Kane, Lally, Leffler, Lennard, Lewis, Lyon, Magoon, Matteson, Mayall, Middlesworth, Mitchell, Morgan, Morrison, Oliver of N. Y., Oliver of Mo., Parker, Packham, Penney, Phillips, Pratt, Pringle, Purviance, Ricaud, Richardson, Ritchie of Ohio, Rogers, Ruffin, Sabin, Sapp, Scott, Sharpe, Shaw, Stanton of Tenn., Stanton of Ky., Stevens of Pa., Stevenson of Va., Thompson of Ohio, Tyler, Thurston, Trout, Wade, Wheeler, Vinton, Zollicoffer.

Mr. LETCHER, Chairman from the Select Committee to examine whether improper influences have been used to influence the passage or defeat of bills, including that for the extension of Colt's patent before the House, rose to a privileged question, reminding gentlemen that WILLIAM B. CHASE had refused to appear and answer certain interrogatories proposed to him, and that unless the House had the power to compel a witness, it is the sense of that Committee to abandon its questions. He had accordingly instructed to report two resolutions, namely: First, That the sergeant-at-arms be directed to revoke the privilege under which said CHASE occupies a reporter's desk, and that he be expelled from the floor. He apprehended there would be no difficulty of agreeing the resolution. The Committee, calling a witness, had sent the Sergeant-at-Arms to take him wherever found, the body of WILLIAM B. CHASE, and to hold the same in custody until the further order and direction of the House.

Mr. LETCHER cited Congressional precedents for this course of action, and referred to the decisions of the Supreme Court to justify it. The Senate has on various occasions exercised this power; instance Duane, Fitzpatrick, for contempt; hence it is a power, and other trials have pronounced judgments on them, are well-known precedents. He whished the House to decide one way or the other, so that the Committee may either be discharged or continue their duties.

Mr. BAYLY, of Va., asked the Speaker whether at this stage of the proceedings he could move to take up the joint resolution, conferring the brevet rank of Lieutenant-General on General SCOTT.

The Speaker replied in the negative, as a privileged question was pending.

Mr. BAYLY, in reply to Mr. LETCHER, said he presumed you, Mr. Speaker, and the House, would be prepared to try Mr. CHASE, who, he presumed, was in the room, and ready to answer, and if not, whether he was not in contempt. He (Mr. BAYLY) would give up the privilege.

Mr. FULLERTON said Mr. BIDDLE requested on Saturday, when investigating Committee was on, to be allowed to be heard in relation to matter, and he (Mr. F.) asks the courtesy of honorable members to grant him the same privilege. Adjourned, thirty and forty minutes. Now on the same ground he asks the privilege. (REPORTER.) *In the consideration of his speech, observed:* "I will say to the Committee, in opinion and respect, I cannot and will not affect the character of the House of a single individual member, and the country knows it." He (Mr. ZOLLICOFFER) regretted the spirit of the gentleman's remarks; they were, to say the least, a little over-bitter and unjustified. Hearing certain reports, which, if unquestioned, were calculated to impeach the character of gentlemen, he felt it due that an investigation should be made; and hence his agency in the matter.

Mr. EDGERTON replied: In the remarks he made he had no intention of casting reflection on the integrity of the members of the Select Committee. He did characterize it as inquisitorial, and he thought all such Committees were obnoxious to the charge. He was opposed to their organization except where the character of a member is directly assailed on a specific charge, and not on mere idle rumor.

Mr. ZOLLICOFFER must say, when members rise in their places and make statements calculated to lead to the conclusion that gentlemen are corrupt, regarding the passage of bills, those who are sensitive as to their honor ought not to wait for specific charges against members by name. The impressions of the gentleman from Ohio were erroneous.

Mr. OLDS said the Committee was not appointed to investigate the character of gentlemen on the floor, but to inquire into outside transactions. He regarded such Committee as inquisitorial. So far as the character of Mr. CHASE is concerned, the game was not worth the ammunition. If he has offended against the rule, let him be dismissed, and in this the House would be justified.

Mr. LETCHER referred his colleague to the case of NUGENT, whom the Senate apprehended and imprisoned on a charge of contempt, in refusing to tell where he got an important document published in the New-York *Herald*.

Mr. BAYLY replied, the Senate had to dismiss him. The action of that body was wrong. He referred his colleague to the case of ROBERTSON, the editor of the Truth, who was arrested on the charge of attempting the life of Mr. CLAY, and sent to jail, but afterwards discharged. The Senate seeing its error passed a resolution giving him damages for false imprisonment.

After further proceedings the House passed a resolution to expel Mr. CHASE from the Hall as a reporter, and laid on the table that directing the Sergeant-at-Arms to take him into custody.

Motion was made to reconsider the vote on the last.

Mr. FULLERTON said he was in favor of excluding CHASE from the House. As to the question of a reputation, he submitted to his friend, Mr. LETCHER, whether it was possible for the House to bring itself into anything but contempt by passing it. CHASE could not be held by a writ of habeas corpus. The resolution was not worth a straw.

The House took question on reconsidering the vote by which the last resolution passed, but no quorum voted, and the House adjourned.

Supreme Court of the United States.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

Churchill J. Chambreling and J. Montgomery Guiteau, of New-York, and Hon. Stephen Hampstead, of Iowa, were admitted Attorneys and Counsellors of the Court. No. 59—James Rhodes, appellant, *vs.* Wm. B. Tanner, *et als.* Argument concluded for appellant by Phillips. No. 61—Ship *Panther*, James A. Potter, claimant, *vs.* The United States. On motion of Attorney-General Cushing the cause was dismissed with costs, the appellant having failed to appear. No. 63—Daniel South, *et al., plaintiffs in error, vs. The State of Maryland,* use of Jonathan W. Pottle. Cause argued by Nelson for plaintiffs, and Dobbin and Reverdy Johnson for the defendants. No. 63—Luke Tiernan, administrator, appellant, *vs.* Benj. Ern. *et al.* Argument commenced by Preston for appellant, continued by Blair for appellees.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

Nothing has yet been done or proposed by Col. KINNEY to call for a Government prosecution against his enterprise, and much has been hoped. There is no truth in the statement of the *Star* to the contrary.

STATE AFFAIRS.

The O. U. A. and Senator Seward.

MR. BLATCHFORD'S SPEECH.

Interesting Correspondence.

Continuation of the Debate on the Senatorial Resolution.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times.

ALBANY, Saturday, Feb. 3, 1855.

The Senate is the only place in the Legislature just now, where they profess to be progressing with the general business of the session, and there it amounts to little more than pretension. The show in the Senate today was mainly on the motion to recommit the bill to authorize the Panama Railroad to increase its capital stock. After a protracted discussion the motion to recommit was carried, and so it is back where it started from.

SIX had a fish on Senator WHITNEY's resolution inquiring by what authority THOMAS DUNLAP acted as a Commissioner of Emigration, but it did not amount to much, for the resolve was tabled.

There was also some debate bearing on the Slavery question, the subject being the resolution directing the Governor to employ counsel to assist the Attorney-General in the suit brought by the State of Virginia to test the right of the State of New-York to set at liberty slaves brought voluntarily within her borders. After a protracted discussion the resolves were laid on the table for future consideration. Of course, in good a hobby for the carriage of speeches of all kinds—Slavery, Native, Religious, and Temperance, cannot pass until it is thoroughly foddered.

The exciting topic on the democratic question is extinguished. It will break out in the Senate on Monday, Senator WHITNEY, probably, leading off, constantly on the bill to regulate the nature of church property, but in reality, in vindication of the constitution of Rev. The discussions will, doubtless, last until Tuesday noon, when the election of United States Senator in the Special Order, and cutting off further talking.

In the House, there was a continuation of the discussion brought on by Mr. PETTY. The interest appeared to be sustained, though four days had already been devoted thereto. The opponents of Mr. SEWARD evidently reckoned without their host when they forced on this debate, and are going on with it early out of spite. It is evidently not the entertainment to which they supposed themselves invited, and they do not relish the provender they have been set down to.

The peculiarly factious in yesterday's proceedings was the proof given of the outside pressure which had been brought to influence the votes of members. It had been lately floated by those who were the leaders of the opposition, and the method adopted. Yesterday there appeared a circular from a that like than several districts, relating to a question of privilege, Mr. C. C. LEIGH read the following documents, which had been transmitted to him:

HAMILTON CHAPTER, No. 16, O. U. A.

TUESDAY EVENING, Jan. 30, 1855.

SIR: We have with pleasure to you the following resolution, passed unanimously [illegible] Chapter:

Resolved, That Brother C. C. LEIGH be requested to represent Hon. C. C. LEIGH [illegible] against the nomination of W. H. SEWARD for United States Senator, viz., the Assembly Committee, Hon. C. C. LEIGH [illegible] C. C. LEIGH [illegible] Brother C. C. LEIGH [illegible] the principles of the Order.

[illegible] Secretary.

[illegible] Chapter.

[illegible] Chapter, No. 7, O. U. A.

Resolved, That Brother C. C. LEIGH be requested to represent Hon. C. C. LEIGH [illegible] against the nomination of W. H. SEWARD, for United States Senator, viz., the Assembly Committee, Hon. C. C. LEIGH [illegible] C. C. LEIGH [illegible] Brother C. C. LEIGH [illegible] the principles of the Order.

[illegible] Secretary.

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[illegible] Secretary.

[illegible] Chapter, No. 7, O. U. A.

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FROM WASHINGTON.

The Astronomical Observatory.

Special Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 1, 1855.

In resuming my description of the Astronomical Observatory, let me remind the reader that we navigate in the moon containing the Meridian Transit Instrument—the uses of which I partially generalized in my last, and now take up again where I then left it.

The position of a heavenly body is given, by its right ascension and declination, precisely as is that of a place on the earth by its longitude and latitude, the terms having respectively the same meaning. The former is commonly expressed in hours, minutes, and seconds, instead of degrees, &c., and it is always equal to the sidereal time of the body's passing the meridian. The Right Ascension therefore, of an unknown body, is deduced from the observed time of its transit, by simply applying the corrections necessary on account of errors of the instrument and clock,—the latter obtained as described above. We then get, it will be noticed, the place of an unknown object only relatively to other stars; the determination of absolute Right Ascension is a different problem, solved by help of another instrument, an extended series of observations, and elaborate mathematical investigation.

I have several times alluded to the clock used by the observer. This is a necessary accompaniment of the transit instrument, as the reader has, doubtless, already noticed,—the telescope serving to point out the meridian, while the clock tells when the star is there. Remembering that the time of an observed transit is recorded to the smallest fraction of a second, it becomes obvious that the astronomer's requirements of the clock-maker's skill are no less stringent than those he requires at the hands of the man who makes his telescope. It is only one more of the great difficulties of human art, to make a clock which shall keep unvaried its rate of going. The error may be of any amount whatever, though it is convenient to keep it small; but uniformity of rate is the great desideratum and difficulty—almost beyond ordinary conception—in the task of attaining this. The Yankee clock-maker would stand aghast if required to produce a time-piece which, from now until January next, though Summer's heat and Winter's cold, should gain or lose universally the same amount every day; and Sam Slick would continue his wonder during the comparison of his apparatus with the clocks shown him at the National Observatory.

The "works" are made of the finest brass and steel, beautifully wrought and highly polished; the wheels revolve between jewels, and even the shape of their teeth is the result of the most careful and elaborate mathematical investigation. The pendulum rod, being of steel, is, of course, continually changing in length by the expansions and contractions attendant upon changing temperature. But the uniformity of this length is one of the first requisites of a clock, and this is generally obtained in two different ways, specimens of each of which are to be found in the Observatory. The simplest method of "compensation," as it is called, is to make the weight or "bob" of the pendulum of a glass or steel cylindrical vessel, containing quicksilver. The quantity of quicksilver is such that, by its upward expansion in the vessel by an increase of heat, the centre of gravity of the "bob" is raised upwards exactly as much as the expansion of the rod carries it downwards, the actual length being therefore always the same. The other plan is to attach to the steel pendulum-rod, at its lower extremity, a cross bar, from which rise upward several brass rods parallel to each other. At the proper height these are connected by another cross bar, from which the rods steel rods again, to which the ordinary pendulum bob is attached. It will be seen, then, that while the steel expands downwards, the brass is compelled to lengthen upwards; the relative length of the rods is regulated by their relative expansibility, and the centre of gravity remains at a constant distance from the point of suspension. The former construction is called the "mercurial," the latter the "gridiron" pendulum.

In the the west wing, where we still find ourselves, are two clocks, both with the "mercurial" pendulum. The one clock is old, having been in use before the present observatory was founded; the other is a new American clock, and connected with it is an apparatus for recording observations by electric telegraph—the greatest improvement in the art of observing that modern times have witnessed. This apparatus in its original form was constructed in Boston, according to the plans devised by Dr. JOHN LOCKE, of Cincinnati. It has since undergone various modifications and improvements, chiefly at the hands of Professor KEITH, of the Observatory. It consists of a clock—in itself an excellent time-piece, beautifully mounted in a case of Italian marble—and an ordinary "Morse register," such as every one has seen in the old telegraph offices, and made precisely after the plan given by MORSE, except that instead of one marking point or pen, there are here five pens placed closely side by, but each independent of the others, and each having its own magnet and circuit. Entering the lower part of the clock case is seen a fine wire which connects with a small metallic column placed immediately under, and almost touching, the pendulum. Upon the top of the column is a small globule of quicksilver delicately adjusted, so that the lowest point of the pendulum shall touch the globule as it swings past in every vibration. Another wire is seen at the top of the clock, and this is connected with the pendulum itself. These two wires, mean—after one has passed through the magnetic coil—at the galvanic battery, whose end is connected with the positive pole, and the other with the negative. There being now no interruption of the circuit, except at the globule beneath the pendulum, it is manifest that at every vibration the pendulum touching and passing through the quicksilver makes a complete metallic connection, whereupon the circuit is closed, and a signal given at the register upon the fillet of paper, precisely as though by the hand of the telegraph operator. The signal is repeated at every vibration, and the fillet being caused to pass through the register as uniformly as possible, a series dots is made upon it at regular intervals, the space between any two consecutive dots representing a second of time. The length of this space is different in different registers, generally varying, however, between half and three-quarters of an inch—thus becoming far more appreciable than the interval, mentally measured, between the audible beats of the pendulum.

The instant of occurrence of any given phenomenon must, of course, be recorded in the same manner as the passage of the seconds. And this is accomplished by the four additional pens, each belonging to a separate observer, and worked by a separate key; this key is of precisely the same kind with that used by the ordinary Morse Telegraph operator—and the tap upon the key by the observer causes his pen to record a dot upon the fillet precisely as though he were sending an ordinary message by telegraph. To obtain now an observation of the exact clock time of a star's transit over the meridian, the observer, looking into the telescope, and seeing the star approach the line representing the meridian, prepares himself for passage of the star, and the instant the star crosses the line, taps with his key. A dot is thus recorded upon the moving fillet by the side of the series of seconds marked by the clock; and it is now easy to read off the fillet not only the exact hour, minute and second when the transit and even the hundredth part of a second. Shall it be said that this is a [illegible] process, which old as he is—that the [illegible] of a second is a thing we cannot imagine? Perhaps it is so where punctuality "to a minute" is a virtue more than sufficient for ordinary use, and the second never thought of or cared for; but the practical astronomer, trained to count and mentally subdivide the seconds, knows by experience that with this new apparatus he can appreciate less than the tenth of a second, and he therefore aims at the hundredth.

To-morrow, as incidental to this subject, I will attempt a horizontal description of the mode of operation of the Magnetic Telegraph. O.

FROM SANTA FE.

Patriotic Movements in the Legislature—The Indians—The Valley.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

ST. LOUIS, Saturday, Jan. 27.

The Santa Fé mail arrived at Independence on the 20th inst. Telegraphic dispatches are received here by several persons. I give you a summary of the news as I obtain it from the Telegraph Office.

The Legislature is in session, and is acting in some respects most ridiculously. The patriotic members, (as they call themselves) meaning thereby the Mexican members, have refused to pay the freight on a number of books, presented by Congress to the Territory, because they were printed in the English language. This is the very reason why they should have been welcomed.

A number of enterprising Americans have been engaged since the organization of the Territory in carrying sheep of the best breed here, with the view of raising their young for sale in New-Mexico and California, and of still farther improving the breeds and the quality of the wool. They would have eminent success but for the capricious and repeated inroads of the Indians. From their depredations they have and can have no security, because of the inadequacy of the military forces stationed in the country. Messrs. BECK & GIDDINGS, an enterprising firm engaged in the business, have recently sustained serious losses in this way, from the inroads of the Mescallaros band of Indians.

The Indians generally have been more than usually troublesome lately. These same Mescallaros band run off over four hundred head of cattle, the property of Messrs. MAJOR & RUSSELL, who are Wintering with their stock on Red River. Information was given to the troops, and a party of dragoons chased the Indians upwards of two hundred miles, and succeeded in recovering about one-fourth of the stolen cattle. Other parties were in pursuit in various directions. What success they will have is conjectural.

General GARLAND returned from the Mesilla Valley on the 18th, and has published an order taking military possession of it. The Jaccarilla Apaches are hovering around the northern line of settlements, watching opportunities for plunder. Captain EWELL will start out with a scouting party about the 1st of March. In the meantime, how are the settlements to be protected? That is of no consequence to the Captain. It cannot be expected that he should discomfort himself and forego the pleasures of his journey in order to save a few lives. The Utahs are harmless only because they are unprepared for mischief. They are sorely afflicted, besides, with the small-pox. The chief who took Mr. WHITE and party some time since, and whose name is CHICO VELASQUEZ, has died with the disease.

A post, it is announced, is to be established on the Pecos River, to protect the southern settlements. Better late than never, certainly. No local news. Have had a few cold days, but not enough to afford an opportunity to secure a supply of ice for the ensuing Summer. Yours, D.

FROM MISSOURI.

The Legislature, Politics, &c.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

ST. LOUIS, Saturday, Jan. 27, 1855.

The Legislature of this State has accomplished literally nothing so far. They have to recharter the Bank or refuse to do it; to provide means to carry on the Railroad; to act upon the interest law; and to revise the whole body of the Statutes. So far, their whole time has been occupied in electing officers of the Bank and balloting for a Senator. Within the last few days some six of the Whigs have voted for ATCHISON. This is believed by the Democrats here to be a *ruse* to impress the friends of BENTON with the idea that unless they vote for DONIPHAN, the Whig candidate, ATCHISON will be elected. If they are on the contrary voting for him as their preference he may be elected. I think it, however, much more likely that DONIPHAN will be elected by BENTON votes. The old man has unquestionably advised his followers to give DONIPHAN the preference.

The Whigs and BENTON men have divided the Bank offices between them. I think the Bank will be rechartered with modifications of its charter. The Interest law will be so amended as to allow ten per cent. to be given for money by contract, leaving at six in the absence of contract, and so judgments, &c. Additional aid will be given the Railroads, but in what way is yet doubtful. A special commission will be instituted to revise the Statute Laws, and the revision will be reported to a called session to be assembled next Autumn. The Constitution imperatively requires this revision every ten years. Yours, Z.

MICHIGAN.

The Maine Law Passed and Signed—Its Provisions—Frauds in the Allowance of Accounts—Plan for Making Another State on Lake Superior—A Mormon with Three Wives in the Legislature—An Indian Member—Great Frauds in the Overissue of Bank Notes.

Correspondence of the Evening Post.

LANSING, Thursday, Feb. 1, 1855.

The Governor signed the Prohibitory Liquor law this day, and it takes effect in ninety days after its approval. There are some provisions about it that render it doubtful whether it is constitutional or not. One of these allows a man to make an affidavit that he suspects and believes that an individual has liquor about his premises with intent to sell—and thereupon a Justice may issue a warrant to seize and destroy the liquor, upon proof of the complaint. Another provision allows druggists to sell liquors. The bill went through the Senate yesterday with only five votes against it—(three Democrats, two Fusion.) In the House most of the Democrats voted against it.

The general railroad bill is not yet passed, but perhaps will be to-day. The clause allowing old railroads, (Southern and Central,) to consolidate with new roads built under this law, was stricken out in the House, but a great effort is making by the lobbies of these companies to get it restored, and they will probably succeed. Quite a consternation has been excited by the appearance of several fraudulent allowances of accounts by the late Democratic Board of State Officers, after they had made themselves a great force before they went out of office. One item was an allowance of $35,000 for two drafts drawn on the Phœnix Bank of New-York, in 1839, and claimed as having never been paid by the State. It is very doubtful whether the Bank ever sent this claim before the Board for allowance, and there is positive proof of their payment, which evidently shows some bad faith on the part of the Board of Auditors. Some other accounts of a very mysterious nature have been allowed and paid; some of them of nearly 20 years standing. A Committee of investigation is now in session. There is also an investigation into the alleged over-issue of Government Stock Bank Notes, but no report has yet been made. It is fortunate for the tax-payers that a change of Administration occurs occasionally, so that these things can be looked up.

There are petitions here to get a resolution through Congress to create a new State out of the Lake Superior country, but no action has yet been taken. The members of the present Legislature are principally farmers, though there are a few lawyers and mechanics. They have one King, as he is called—"Stump" King, or Prophet of the Beaver Islands, in the north part of the State. He is the head of the Mormons there, and has, it is said, only three wives. He is an accomplished man, of a good deal of ability, and a good speaker. We have one half-breed in the House, a Mr. ASHMUN, who speaks very much like the pale face of the forest. Governor FAIRBANK, the late Governor of the State, is a member of the Legislature. It is not, we think, a common thing for a Governor to descend to be elected to the Legislature. We note among the lobby members here from your State, Mr. J. SEYMOUR, of Utica—a brother, we think, of your Governor SEYMOUR. He is the agent of the contractors of the St. Mary's Ship Canal Company here, to surrender the work up to the State and receive the deed from the Governor for 750,000 acres, granted by the United States for that purpose.

It was thought, when they took the contract, that it was a splendid speculation, but the high price of labor, &c., has shown that no great amount will be made out of it. The contractors say it cost them a quarter of a million more than the estimates. EBENEZER CORNING, Governor FAIRBANK, of Vermont, and J. M. FORBES, of Boston, are some of the principal stockholders in that job. We have had JOHN STEVENS, of Rome, N. Y., here part of the Winter, lobbying to get through the act of consolidation of the Michigan Southern Railroad Company with the Northern Indiana Railroad. There is considerable opposition offered to it on the part of the State through which it runs, owing to the bad management of the road by its officers—the delay of months in getting on the produce of the country, as well as the procrastination on payment of claims of persons against the Company. Still I think it will pass.

It is in contemplation to create by law a Board of Commissioners, consisting of three, to regulate tolls and take the general charge of this great national work. By an act of Congress, sufficient tolls must be obtained to keep the same in repair. The report of the Select Committee on the fraudulent over-issue of bills of the Government Stock Bank at Ann Arbor, was made in the House to-day. It shows enormous frauds on the part of that bank, as well as some of the State officers in the reissue of its notes. It appears by the report that the State Treasurer and Deputy were in the habit of countersigning the bills at their residence, at the State Office in New-York, Pontiac and elsewhere. It also appears that from $900,000 to $400,000 of (pretended) worn out and mutilated bills have been surrendered to the State Treasurer, and new ones given in their place, duly countersigned. That the engravers were in the habit of giving the bills to BELKNAP whenever he called for them, and there is but little doubt that bills which were called mutilated and never countersigned, were exchanged for countersigned notes, and that a very large overissue has thus been made. $10,800 was issued in bills for the premium on the State Stocks. A large amount was issued for those lost on the *Atlantic* steamer on Lake Erie. This is a new way for Stock Banks, by the connivance of State Officers, to defraud the public.

RELIEF OF THE POOR.

THE POLICY OF SOUP-HOUSES.

REPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

BOTH SIDES OF A HARD QUESTION.

I am not ambitious, Mr. Editor, of a "first appearance," but give me room—"a little room for charity," and it shall be carefully circumscribed—to say a few words, by way of introduction to the article which I enclose, written by an experienced visiter among the poor of the Eighteenth Ward.

This gentleman is a clergyman—a self-denying, self-devoted laborer—who is spending nearly all his time daily among the poor, and he is entitled to be heard. He is one of six, of equal fidelity, who are at work in the Eighteenth Ward, but finds his hands palsied and his courage abated under the cautions and warnings which good men in private life, and good men through the press, are giving out against these works of charity and mercy.

The kindness and charity—the beneficent temper of the men and women of New-York, are easily aroused, and as easily repressed; but it will be a new era when the instincts of benevolence need to be driven back into the heart in silence and inaction, and our feet and hands gyved and manacled from the danger of overkindness towards the Poor. BENNET H. ELIOTT.

The Poor—Their Condition.

I have been for some time an unlike observer of the workings of the public mind on the question of Poor-Relief in this City. I have listened to the teachings which have issued from the press, embodying the experience and the practical wisdom both of editors and contributors.

To my mind, however, these teachings have one grievous fault. They are one-sided and one-eyed. Suspecting, or seeing a single evil, they condemn alike the evil and the good, and their cautions and doubts will, if I mistake not, bring results which will tell alike against all the claims of charity, and finally return to plague their authors.

With rare exceptions donors need no public caution against misapplication or profusion; the *universal* danger lies in the other direction, and in an emergency like the present, words of distrust should be used with caution, and the freest liberty given to the impulsive generosity that springs into action under the high stimulus of a wide-spread cry of genuine, real suffering, from poverty.

I have had the experience of years among the poor, and during the present Winter, daily, and almost constantly, I have been among the hovels and cellars, amid the nightly throng of stagnant poverty which bounds the Eastern margin of this great City, and I would give public utterance to the sad truth, that your City is heaving and swelling with the suppressed agony of famishing poverty, and that all your soup-houses, and all your humane efforts, *must* be maintained, and Christian man must not fail or falter in the great duty which presses with unusual force upon their consciences.

Whatever be the evils attendant on such a crisis as the present, systematic pauperism is not one to be dreaded in this land, in this City, with the high-pressure atmosphere of industry for the very breath of their life. But it is to be feared lest overcaution and incredulity leave men to perish in the midst of open hands and christian hearts. There is a danger of forgetting, in the horror of mendicancy and imposture, the righteous claims of honest suffering. There is a risk of good men lending their influence on the side of inhumanity and selfishness, and criminal indifference—ever ready to seize on an excuse to button the pocket, and close the door in the face of the applicant. Against this real danger, let the liberal, enlightened Christian public be guarded. Let all due discrimination be exercised, all extravagance avoided—but let not the cry of want be stifled; let her have an ear in which to utter her complaint, an eye to look upon her hopelessness, a hand to raise her in her abjectness.

When distress exists as now in this City, even beggary finds its occupation gone. There are too many at the trade—it flourishes no longer. Even professional mendicancy finds itself at fault. And now too the crisis has come. If during this brief month, at least, whose close it is hoped will bring dead labor to life again, charity too dies, what will the end be? Three deaths by destitution, by famine, attested by Coroner's verdict, would tell on all more potently than volumes of letters and sermons. If the experience of those who have explored the worst localities around go for anything, there are hundreds of families in many of the Wards, in some over a thousand, between whom and houseless want stands naught but the charity of those who have freely received at the hand of the great Provider: that they might freely give.

The Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, with its three hundred and sixty unpaid visitors, is doubtless a valuable institution now and in ordinary times. But it does not meet the emergency which has arisen. Its visitors no doubt attend to such cases as may be brought before them, but they do not and cannot afford the time to seek out the needy who are ignorant of their residence and of the existence of this association. Destitution cannot either seek or be sought to gain relief. In any other case it must be left to perish. It is no answer to say that in seeking out the destitute we multiply the cases of sham-destitution. If the first principle be that the needy shall not perish if we can help it; if that be our rule of action, as it is, I think, then the fear of imposture or indiscriminate almsgiving will not harden our hearts or stay our hands in whatsoever they find to do.

Some greedy woman may throw soup to the pigs, but many a family will be kept alive by it for the good time coming. Some lazars may be kept from the Almshouse, but many a respectable artisan, many an honest and industrious laborer, many an indefatigable needle-woman, on whose busy fingers, perhaps, a fatherless family depends, will be saved from the shame of open, absolute beggary from door to door and street to street—saved from the pain of a wounded spirit—saved to bless and pray in the day of restored prosperity for those who, in the day of adversity, neither hardened their hearts nor closed their hands against them.

Rev. Mr. Gerry's Report for January.

This month has been a hard one for the poor of this City, and also a trying one for those persons who have had to devise ways and means for their relief.

During an ordinary Winter, when all classes are more or less employed, the missionary or visitor of the poor needs to persevere in his inquiries, question applicants for aid very closely, and visit, and revisit the same families, in order to feel that in distributing his charities he is not doing about as much evil as good; but this Winter, when there are so many out of employment, and applicants for charity are so numerous, it has required the exercise of great wisdom and discrimination to decide, really, who were and who were not worthy.

During the last month many of the Poor were employed, while many others were making efforts to obtain work, and struggled on from day to day, hoping that it would be furnished them, and themselves and families saved from beggary; but in this expectation they were to be disappointed; all hope of obtaining employment was given up, and they have been compelled to depend upon soup-houses and Relief Associations for the means of subsistence.

I think that all those who have visited the Poor the present Winter, must have formed the opinion that much evil will result to them from this constant and oftentimes indiscriminate alms-giving.

The laboring poor have been placed in a position of utter dependence towards the benevolent and charitable. For one, I most sincerely regret the necessity that has brought about this lamentable state of things; for the bad effect it will have upon the poor, in forming in them habits of idleness and vagrancy, in destroying their self-respect, in giving them the idea that they may lean upon others for a support without labor, all this will be bad—bad enough; but I dread most of all its effect upon the *children* of the poor.

From the very first commencement of my labors in this City in behalf of your Society, I have turned my attention to the habit of street-begging among children. On investigating this subject, I found that this habit prevailed to an almost unlimited extent in the Fourth and Seventh Wards. I found that large numbers of girls, from eight to fifteen years of age, were constantly employed in this way. I have therefore, from the very first, bent my energies towards the correction of this evil as it exists among the children of my district. Whenever I have chanced to meet a begging girl or boy in the streets, I have made it an invariable custom to stop the child, and talk with him or her (as the case may be,) upon the subject; have gone with them to their homes; seen and conversed with their parents, and have pointed out the temptations which most always lie in the pathway of the begging child. This class of children are, generally speaking, the most successful in low gouggering and either bolstering, or, rather, support, as every such child must be, to the very worst of influences. By conversation with parents through our Industrial Schools, and by calling the attention of the police to their duty towards this class of children, street-begging had, up to the 1st of December, essentially diminished in the Fourth and Seventh Wards.

About the 1st of October last, I spent several days in calling on the merchants and business men of the above-named Wards, and directed their attention to this subject. I found, on conversing with them, that they had noticed a very great falling off of street-begging, particularly among children. I informed them that there was no real necessity for the continuance of this practice among children, and, if they would cooperate with me, I thought the habit might be entirely be broken up. Many persons promised me their aid and cooperation. I left with all such printed cards, containing the street and number where our Industrial School is held, that any girl sent there would be relieved, have a dinner given her every day, be taught reading, writing and sewing, and if punctual, regular and conducted herself well, she would have the opportunity of earning all the clothing she would need for the Winter months. Several of this class of children were sent to me, and I induced them to enter the Industrial School. And I am almost certain that if the hard times had not come on, most of the street-begging in the Fourth and Seventh Wards, among children, would have been stopped. But it is a fact that many children who had abandoned the habit, have returned to it again. It is a fact, that most of the begging in the streets is done by children. That many parents are *compelled* to ask charity, and do it through their children. Scarcely a day passes but that I am hailed by the girls in the "Industrial School," asking alms. They come to me with tears in their eyes, and beg me with words that are full of sad meaning to visit and aid their parents. They have told me that they get but little to eat besides that which is given them at the school. Many parents, I have observed, and act without feelings of pain, instead of going themselves to the soup and store houses for food, send their children. When the "soup-house" was opened in the Seventh Ward the teacher of the Industrial School noticed that many of the children, almost every day after they have had dinners, wanted to go to their homes; and, when questioned upon the subject, when asked why they wished to be dismissed, they said that their parents wished them to go and get *soup* and *groceries*. Many of our children have been absent from school for several days together, and, when asked the reason of their absence, would give the one named above.

I have called your attention to these facts, that you may see the great evil that is being indicted upon the children of the poor by the state of things as they exist at the present time in our City, that you may see how much that has been done for them must be forever lost. As much as there may be to admire in the present outpouring of benevolence in our midst, in the sacrifices that are being made by the rich, to meet the great want that now exists for food; yet, for one, I cannot but feel sad, when I think of the evils that are to follow hereafter to the poor. Much that has been done through your Agents and the Industrial Schools, will have to be done again; and hopes that were about to be realized will not ripen into the expected abundant harvest.

Barbers and Sunday Shaving.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Feb. 1, 1855.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

A scurrilous paragraph in a morning paper respecting the motion of Mr. MURDAY to close barber shops on Sunday, leads me to wonder—for Mr. Grudgrind has not forbidden me to wonder:

1. Why a barber should be compelled to work one day more than any other workingman.

2. On what grounds a barber is to forfeit that consideration which is extended to *every* other citizen.

3. Who is to blame if the barber is found to be a demoralized character, when to obtain a livelihood he is compelled to break that command: "Remember thou keep holy the Sabbath day."

4. What opportunity is afforded him for improving his moral condition, or that of his family, that will make up for his lost Sabbath. But there is a call. I must quit my pen to attend to a customer. I trust this matter will be taken up by some able hands. A JOURNEYMAN BARBER.

Great Popular Demonstration—The Rescue Trials Denounced—The Fugitive Slave Act Repudiated.

From the Milwaukee Sentinel, Jan. 29.

One of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in this city convened at Young's Hall, on Friday evening, in pursuance of notice given in the *Sentinel* and *Free Democrat*, and of the following call, circulated in handbills about the streets:

FREEMEN TO THE RESCUE!—The Bloodhounds of Milwaukee and vicinity, who are opposed to KIDNAPPING and SLAVE-HUNTING on the soil of Wisconsin, and who are willing to contribute towards paying the Fines imposed by Judge MILLER upon S. M. BOOTH and JOHN RYCRAFT, are invited to meet at Young's Hall (first floor) this (Friday) evening, at 7 o'clock.

By order, THE VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 26.

Shortly after the hour appointed, the meeting was called to order by JAMES H. RAINE, Esq., and on motion RUFUS KING was appointed Chairman and EDWARD WUNDERLY, Secretary.

The Chairman having stated the object of the meeting, a Committee of five, consisting of Messrs. J. H. Paine, Jno. M. Durand, Dr. Munk, A. A. Griffith, and Alderman Houghton, was appointed to report resolutions for the consideration of the meeting.

During the absence of the Committee, the meeting was addressed by C. K. WATKINS, with much ability, and his remarks were loudly and repeatedly applauded.

The Committee having returned, submitted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we desire to record our earnest and emphatic protest against the manner as well as the results of the recent Rescue trials in this city—that we regard the course pursued by the officers of the United States Courts, in empanelling the Grand and Petit Juries, as a gross and flagrant outrage upon Law and Right—that we look upon the conduct of the Judge who tried the cause as a mockery of justice and a libel upon the Bench—that we sympathize deeply with the victims of judicial tyranny, official wrong, and oppressive and unconstitutional legislation, and that our hearts go with them in the prison to which they have been confined, and our hands are ready to lighten the penalties unjustly imposed upon them.

Resolved, That we regard the Fugitive Slave act as at war with every principle of Justice; repugnant to every instinct of Humanity; an insult to every element of Freedom; a foul pollution to American Legislation, and a disgrace to the age in which we live.

Resolved, That, believing this Fugitive Slave act to be wrong in itself, and in gross violation of our Constitutional rights, and heartily respecting to the decision of our State Supreme Court, which has pronounced that it is unconstitutional and void, we hold that it has no binding effect upon us or ours, and we repudiate all obligation to obey its unlawful and unconstitutional requirements.

Resolved, That we call upon the Legislature of this State, now assembled, to do whatsoever in them lies to protect the citizens of this State from the pains and penalties of this inhuman and illegal Act, to prohibit all magistrates or other officers, holding office by virtue of any law of this State, from rendering any official assistance in the capture or detention of any persons claimed as fugitives from Slavery, and to forbid the use of all jails or prisons for the confinement of persons arrested or convicted under the provisions of the Fugitive Slave Act.

Resolved, That we call upon our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to make instant and earnest efforts to blot out from our American statute book, an act which elevates kidnapping into a virtue, and degrades humanity to a crime.

Resolved, That the People of this State, be invited to send in to the address of the officers of this meeting, or any one of them, such sums, in no case exceeding $1 per man, as they may think fit to contribute towards the payment of the fine and costs (amounting to $1,401) imposed upon S. M. BOOTH, and the fine of $250, imposed upon JOHN RYCRAFT, for alleged violation of the Fugitive Slave act.

Resolved, That the Press of this State be respectfully requested to publish and call attention to the proceedings of this meeting.

Gen. PAINE, in obedience to the call of the meeting, spoke at some length and with great force, in support of the first resolution.

The meeting was further addressed by Messrs. E. D. HOLTON, W. P. FLANDERS, Judge R. W. SMITH and JOHN H. TWEEDY, Esq., with eloquence and effect. The speakers were repeatedly interrupted by the enthusiastic plaudits of the crowded audience.

The resolutions were then taken up and read, one by one, and adopted by a perfect shout of ayes.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned until called together again by the officers.

RUFUS KING, Chairman.

EDWARD WUNDERLY, Secretary.

The Writ Granted!—The State Freezes Its Citizens!

From the Same.

Intelligence was received in this city Saturday evening that the *Supreme Court of our State*, now sitting at Madison, had *unanimously* granted the writs of *habeas corpus*, applied for by the counsel of Messrs. S. M. BOOTH and JOHN RYCRAFT, now confined in our County Jail, under sentence by Judge MILLER, of the United States Court, for alleged violation of the Fugitive Slave act, in aiding in the rescue of GLOVER. The night was an inclement one, the snow falling fast, and the bleak wind whistling round the corners, and sweeping along the streets. Nevertheless, the news spread fast, and was everywhere hailed with delight; and groups of men gathered at every corner, to exchange congratulations, and speedily a bright bonfire, kindled at the intersection of East Water and Wisconsin streets, lit up the city with the glad tidings; and a thousand men stood ready, had the prisoners been released, to escort them, with music and torches, to their dwellings. But it was found that the necessary papers could not be prepared and the legal formalities complied with in season for such a demonstration, and it was therefore deferred till this morning.

We annex a copy of the writ issued by the Court, addressed to the Sheriff of this County:

THE WRIT.

THE STATE OF WISCONSIN—SUPREME COURT, ss.

The State of Wisconsin to Samuel S. Conover, Sheriff of the County of Milwaukee, in said State:

You are hereby commanded to have the body of JOHN RYCRAFT, by you imprisoned and detained, as it is said, together with the time and cause of such imprisonment and detention, by whatsoever name the said JOHN RYCRAFT shall be called or charged, before the Supreme Court of the State of Wisconsin, at Madison, the capital of said State, in Dane County, immediately after the receipt of this writ, to do and receive what shall then and there be considered concerning the said JOHN RYCRAFT, and have you then and there this writ.

Witness, Hon. EDWARD V. WHITON, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Wisconsin, [L. S.] at Madison, this twenty-seventh day of January, A. D. 1855.

Attest: LA FAYETTE KELLOGG, Clerk Supreme Court, Wisconsin.

A like writ for S. M. BOOTH.

A similar writ was addressed to S. V. R. ADELMAN, U. S. Marshal, &c., and both were served Saturday night. The Marshal, we understand, makes return to this writ that the parties named are no longer in his custody. Sheriff CONOVER, on his part, in obedience to the writ, will proceed to Madison by the railroad cars this morning, taking Messrs. BOOTH and RYCRAFT with him. It is generally understood that quite a number of our citizens will meet at the Court-House-square, at 7 o'clock *this* morning to escort the Sheriff and his companions to the railroad depôt.

The case excites intense interest throughout the State, and we speak within bounds, when we say that nine-tenths of our citizens will hail with unmingled satisfaction the prompt proceeding of our Supreme Court. Let us hope that on the final hearing of the matter, they will find it compatible with their duty to discharge the prisoners altogether.

The Milwaukee *Sentinel* of the 30th ult., says:

It being understood that the Sheriff would start for Madison with his prisoners yesterday morning, hand-bills were printed and posted about the city, during Saturday night, inviting the people to assemble at the County Jail at 7 o'clock Monday morning, to escort Messrs. BOOTH and RYCRAFT to the railroad depôt. Punctually at the hour named, the bells began to ring out a joyous peal, and the cannon sent forth its thundering summons, and obedient to the signal, the people from all parts of the city came hurrying to the Court-House-square.

In a very few minutes, nearly a thousand men had collected on the ground, and being marshaled in procession by Dr. E. B. WELCOTT, with a band of music, in a four horse sleigh, on the lead, and the Sheriff, with his prisoners, in another four horse sleigh, in the centre, the imposing column marched through Jackson, Wisconsin, Spring and Third-streets, to the Railroad depôt. As they passed Judge MILLER's residence, the band struck up "Jordan is a hard road to travel," and the procession groaned audibly; and at the residence of Mr. BOOTH and other points on the route, they gave repeated cheers. The morning was cold and tempestuous, the deep snow and driving blast dispersing everybody to keep within doors. Nevertheless, the turnout was unexpectedly large, and the spirit which animated the entire assemblage unmistakable.

Arrived at the depôt, Messrs. BOOTH and RYCRAFT, in obedience to the call of the multitude, got upon the top of the cars, were saluted with three thundering cheers, and briefly expressed their acknowledgments to their fellow-citizens for their countenance and sympathy. Shortly afterwards, the train, drawn by two powerful locomotives, and with thirty-six busy men on board, headed by the Superintendent, to clear the track from the constantly-falling snow, started off for Madison.

Marriage of Julia Dean, the Celebrated Actress.

Correspondence of the Boston Daily Bee.

GALVESTON, Texas, Friday, Jan. 26, 1855.

The report of Miss JULIA DEAN's marriage will no doubt startle her friends at the North, and cause the hearts of some of her ardent admirers to pulsate more quickly than usual. The affair, however, is by no means as sudden as it appears upon the first view. Her husband has been an admirer for several years, but like many others who have been afflicted with the same disorder of the heart, has never had opportunity or the courage to address her. I believe there are one or two who can plead not guilty to the last charge, and one of the number is a distinguished Virginian. Her family and friends have every reason to be satisfied with the choice she has made. Her husband, Dr. HAYNE, is the youngest son of ROBT. Y. HAYNE, of South Carolina, the intellectual giant who once had the hardihood to measure swords with your immortal WEBSTER in the United States Senate. The marriage took place at the Tremont House, in this city, on Sunday last, in the presence of her father and a few friends. It seems to be understood that Mrs. HAYNE (JULIA DEAN) intends fulfilling all her theatrical engagements, which, I believe, extend to July, 1857. After this period she will probably retire to private life, and adorn that home circle, for which her accomplishments so eminently fit her. I know not how much her change of estate may ultimately affect her professional efforts, but judging from her acting for the three nights subsequent to her marriage it will be advantageous, for I have never seen her act with so much feeling, although badly supported. I have written thus much respecting the marriage of Miss DEAN, knowing how she is esteemed in your city. Out here, in TEXAS, there is no division of opinion as regards her genius and talent. The theatre has been nightly crowded, and on several occasions many persons were unable to procure admission to the house.

[The above from a Boston gentleman, places the report of the marriage of Miss JULIA DEAN beyond doubt. Her admirers in Boston will be gratified to hear that she is to fulfill one or more engagements in this city, before her final retirement from the stage. She will appear as Norma in ESPER SARDENT's new play "The Priestess," at the Bowery Theatre, about the middle of March. In the new character of the Wife, we wish her all the joy and prosperity that can be attainable in that position, and to this wish our readers will cordially respond. There is no use wishing anything for the happy South Carolinian; he is already the sole possessor of more treasure than naturally falls to any one man's lot in life.—*Ed. Bee.*

Discharge of Women Arrested for Selling Liquor.

From the Cincinnati Commercial, Feb. 1.

Yesterday morning, the Police Court was thronged with visitors to hear the investigation of the case which recently occurred at Mount Pleasant, wherein the ladies assembled and destroyed about two hundred dollars worth of liquors, the property of a Mr. PATTERSON, who was about to open a tavern in that village, at the stand known as the "Venkirk House." The casks containing the "hardware" were stored with Mr. DANIEL LABOYTEAUX, and be being their custodian at the time of their demolition, appeared as prosecuting witness in the case.

Warrants having been issued at the instance of Mr. LABOYTEAUX, some twenty individuals, ladies and gentlemen, were brought into Court. The ladies were most of them young, and all of them pretty, and seemed to enjoy themselves heartily in the Court-room.

Although the entire work of destruction was planned, attempted and consummated by the ladies, their masculine friends merely standing by to see that it was well executed, the prosecuting attorney, to the surprise of every one, called upon Messrs. PATRICK KILLEN, BENJAMIN HOLE, E. P. DOW, OLIVER MCCOY, A. BAIRD, BENJ. LITTEL, PETER LABOYTEAUX, and H. C. GORMAN, to defend the defense, and intimated that the ladies would be merely called as witnesses.

The above named gentlemen were arraigned, but before a plea was entered, Mr. PUGH for the defence moved to dismiss the whole proceedings, on the grounds first, that under the provisions of the statute creating the Police Court, the jurisdiction of that Court only extended one mile beyond the corporate limits of the city, and consequently could take no recognizance of the case in point—secondly, that the criminal Court having been abolished by an act of the Legislature, there was no Court to which the defendant could be bound over.

Judge SPOONER claimed that he had full powers to hear the case as an examining Court, but as the Legislature, in their zeal to abolish the criminal Court, had forgotten to provide for the disposition of county cases, he could not entertain the prosecution, and should consequently discharge the defendants.

Arrest of a Notorious Counterfeiter.

From the Philadelphia North American, Feb. 5.

A few days since a telegraphic dispatch was received at the Mayor's office, stating that two men had passed a counterfeit note on Mr. L. HIXSON, of Danville, Pa. The note purported to be a $50 one, on the Bank of Wilmington and Brandywine, but proved to be a $5 note altered by the paste process.

Officers FRANKLIN and WILLIAM ESHER proceeded to the outer depôt of the Reading Railroad, and took into custody LEONARD VANGARDEN, EUGSTUS EGGLESTON, from Muncy Dam, Lycoming County, and found in their possession $500 or $600 worth of new issues of bank notes, and a package containing $1 and $3 gold pieces, all bogus. These men subsequently made affidavits that they purchased the money from JOHN MANGUS, who resides near Muncy Dam, Lycoming County.

On Friday morning, Officers FRANKLIN, ELLIS and BLACKBURN proceeded to the house of JOHN MANGUS, and after much difficulty obtained an entrance. MANGUS was not present, but his wife, two children and an old man were found there. Four guns, heavily loaded, stood in the corner of the room. After a vain search for MANGUS, the officers departed. They then proceeded to the house of ABRAHAM HAWKE, in Limestone Township, Montour

NEW-YORK CITY.

THE FULTON-STREET FIRE.

Loss about $150,000.

The fire which broke out at No. 140 Fulton-street, (between Nassau-street and Broadway,) at about 1½ o'clock A. M. yesterday—a brief report of which was published in the TRIBUNE of the same morning—was the most disastrous that has occurred in the City for some time. The amount of loss is estimated at about $150,000. Two buildings, Nos. 136 and 140 Fulton-street, were entirely destroyed; and the adjoining ones on either side were more or less damaged. The fire was discovered on the third story of No. 140, but its origin has not been clearly ascertained.

The buildings were of brick, four stories in height, and more than 50 feet deep, and were filled with stores and offices of different kinds.

The alarm was instantly given and the firemen, police and insurance watch were promptly on the ground and worked manfully to check the fire and save all the movable property possible.

The flames spread with remarkable rapidity on either side, and at one time it seemed as though the "Sun building" would be destroyed.

The light was visible for a great distance; the wind being northeast, sparks fell thick and fast on the houses in John-street, but a force of firemen were stationed there to prevent the fire from extending in the rear and to protect the surrounding buildings.

The morning was bitter cold, but, notwithstanding, the firemen worked unceasingly and manfully. At 4 o'clock it was quite apparent that the fire would be confined to buildings Nos. 136 and 140, and in less than an hour after it was so far subdued that a portion of the firemen were permitted to retire.

At 7 o'clock A. M. the fire was almost entirely subdued, and at 8 o'clock the firemen had succeeded in bringing down the front and side walls over the smoking rubbish.

It was considered necessary, however, to keep an engine in play on the rubbish throughout the whole forenoon, and in the afternoon a number of streams from the hydrants were thrown upon it.

Shortly after the second building, No. 136, had caught fire, a loud explosion took place, creating great alarm among those present, who rushed in consternation from what they believed to be impending danger. The explosion was caused by the expansion of air in a burning chimney, which came the bricks to fly and fall thick and fast, but fortunately no one was injured. Several firemen and others who were in the building succeeded in escaping before the brick-work came down.

The goods in most of the stores were rescued and the sidewalks in the vicinity were blocked up with clothing, books, and almost every conceivable commodity.

THE OCCUPANTS.

No. 140 was occupied, in the basement, by a wine merchant named QUINDOU; on the first floor, by Messrs. R. L. & J. TILTON, clothing dealers; on the second floor, by R. T. YOUNG and J. M. FAIRCHILD, Booksellers, and by GEORGE STORRS, publisher of the *Bible Examiner*; on the third floor, by H. N. KENNEY, letter-press printer, and by Messrs. WINROFF & CO., manufacturers of oil-stoths; the fourth floor, by A. L. SHIPMAN, book-binder. Mr. SHIPMAN also occupied a portion of No. 136 as a book-folding room.

No. 138 was occupied, in the basement, by J. W. OLIVER, as a porter vault; the first floor was occupied temporarily by T. H. LEEDS, as a fur auction store; the second and third, and a portion of the fourth floors, were in the tenancy of PRICE & SONS, label manufacturers.

No. 136 was only slightly damaged. The first floor of this building was occupied by Mr. STEVENS, clothier, who estimates the damage to his stock at about $1,600; he is fully insured.

The clothing store of EDWARD DEGROOT, on the first floor of No. 142, was slightly damaged. The roof and upper portion of the building was also somewhat injured.

The buildings were owned by EDWARD MCCONNELL. Fully insured.

THE LOSSES AND INSURANCES,

as near as ascertained, are as follows:

From	Losses.	Insurance.
Messrs. Tilton	$35,000	Fully
Messrs. Price & Sons	35,000	$20,000
A. L. Shipman	10,000	3,500
G. W. Hatch	5,000	Partly
T. H. Leeds	5,000	Partly
R. T. Young	5,000	Fully
J. W. Fairchild	15,000	Fully
McCosker, owner of buildings	24,000	Fully
Storrs	1,000	Fully
Wynkoff & Co.	1,000	None
H. N. Kenney	400	Partly
E. Degroot	100	Fully
Estimated loss	$132,500	

Making allowance for the losses not ascertained, we think the aggregate will amount to about $150,000, and the aggregate insurances to about $100,000.

J. W. FAIRCHILD has an insurance of $5,000 in the Commonwealth Insurance Company; and A. L. SHIPMAN is insured for $3,500 in the Firemen's and St. Nicholas Offices. STEVENS, clothier, is insured in the Williamsburg City Insurance Company. Mostly all of the other policies are in City offices.

Mr. THOMAS E. SUTTON, printer, No. 142, desires us to say that he sustained no loss by the fire.

The Recent Fire in Fourth-street—Suspicion Completion of Arson.

The investigation into the charge of arson pending against CHARLES CLAIR, was on Saturday continued before Justice CONNELLY, by the Fire Marshal, Mr. BAKER. The testimony exhibited that the defendant, CHARLES CLAIR, had in the first instance, on the 6th of last November, procured an insurance of $300 on his household furniture, and again on the 16th of the same month he obtained an additional $300 in the same Company. In addition to this, it was shown by Mr. WRAY, the Secretary of the Brooklyn Insurance Company, that Mr. CLAIR made an application at their office about the 1st of last December, and wanted to get an insurance of $500 more on his household furniture. Mr. LEE, Surveyor of Company, visited the premises of Mr. CLAIR, looked at the property shown him by Mr. CLAIR, and reported the property not to be worth more than $300; but when the fact was known by the Company that Mr. CLAIR already had $500 on his property, they refused to take the risk. There will be many other facts brought before the Court on the further examination of the case before Justice CONNELLY this day.

Chamber of Commerce—The Ferry Testimonial.

A meeting of the members of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday, pursuant to advertisement, to take into further consideration a suitable testimonial for the eminent and important services rendered to the commercial world by Commodore PERRY, in the treaty recently negotiated by him with Japan.

On motion, P. PERIT, Esq., took the Chair, and G. W. BLUNT, Esq., was chosen Secretary.

The Chairman announced that a number of the books which had been distributed among the members of the Committee to procure subscriptions were returned, with the several amounts collected attached thereto, which in the aggregate amounted to $4,420. The Secretary was requested to notify the members of the Committee who have not been yet heard from (numbering about 27,) to furnish their books by the next meeting. So far the movement progresses very satisfactorily.

It is contemplated to present the Commodore with a service of plate—but no definite arrangement has been yet made as to the disposition of the surplus funds, which will most probably be invested in stocks.

The meeting, on motion, adjourned.

Columbia College Examination.

The intermediate examination of the classes of Columbia College commenced yesterday at 10½ o'clock in the College Chapel. The examination will occupy three weeks. Among the persons present were the President, Hon. CHARLES KING, and the Professors of the College, with Rev. Dr. COX, Rev. Dr. VERMILYE, Chancellor FERRIS and others of alumni, besides parents and others interested personally in the students. The examination began with the Senior Class—numbering twenty—on the subjects "History of Philosophy" and "Evidences of Religion," by Prof. MCVICKAR. Various subdivisions of the subjects having been made in advance, a selection by lot was made by each student, thus giving in the conduct of the examination the utmost impartiality. The readiness of response and clearness of illustration were most creditable to the young men, and showed both thorough instruction and masterly comprehension of the subjects embraced.

Several original compositions were read. One by OSCAR SUNDBERG, on the "Doctrines of SOCRATES and PLATO, compared with those of Christianity;" by LEWIS DEKAFIELD, on the "Power and Influence of Athens;" by WM. DEAN, of Tarrytown, on "Lord BACON."

The examination to-day will be by Prof. ARTHUR in Greek—in Euthyphron—Apologia Socratis, Criton and Phardon.

The Prison Association and the Mayor.

The Prison Association of this City have expressed their approval of Mayor WOOD's energetic measures for the enforcement of the Sunday liquor traffic, as may be seen by the annexed communication:

NEW-YORK, Monday, Feb. 5, 1855.

Hon. Fernando Wood,
Mayor of the City of New-York:

DEAR SIR—I have the honor to wait upon you with the copy of a Preamble and series of Resolutions passed at the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the "Prison Association of New-York," and in transmitting the same to you, I beg to assure you that the Association cannot but rejoice to welcome so energetic and active a coworker as yourself, in that field of philanthropy which has had the attention of the Prison Association during the past nine years.

With the highest respect, I am, my dear Sir, your obedient servant, FRANK W. BALLARD,
Recording Secretary Prison Association,
No. 15 Centre-street.

Extract from the Minutes of the Prison Association.

This Association having received from its agent reliable information as to the diminution in the commitments for drunkenness, and disturbances arising therefrom, on the Sundays during which the sale of intoxicating liquors has been suppressed by the Mayor,

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the Prison Association most cordially acknowledge the manly and independent stand taken by Hon. FERNANDO WOOD, Mayor, in the enforcement of the excise laws.

Resolved, That the quiet and good order resulting from this partial deliverance from the liquor traffic, corroborate the conclusions to which this Association has long since arrived, from their examination of prisons and convicts as published in our several reports, relative to the influence of intemperance on the commission of crime.

The above preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Prison Association of New-York, held Jan. 22, 1855.

E. B. HAVENS, Chairman.
FRANK W. BALLARD, Secretary.

☞ A revival of religion is in progress in the Laight-street Baptist Church, (Rev. ISAAC WESTCOTT's.) On Sunday ten new members were admitted—four male and six female—by receiving the ordinance of baptism.

COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Board of Aldermen...MONDAY, Feb. 5.

ISAAC O. BARKER, Esq., President, in the Chair.

PETITIONS REFERRED.

Of citizens of the Eighteenth and Twenty-second Wards—For the erection of a wing of a new City Hall in Madison-square.

Of J. C. Hardmeyer—To be appointed Clerk and Interpreter of the Fourth District Police Court.

Of Engine Company No. 33—For engine lately used by Engine Company No. 18.

Of various parties—For the erection of a new City Hall in Madison-square.

Of various parties—For correction of taxes.

REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF COUNCILMEN CONCURRED IN.

Of Committee on Fire Department—In favor of building a new carriage for Hose Company No. 28.

Of Committee on Sewers—In favor of amending ordinance for sewer in 116th-street, between Third and Fourth-avenues.

Of Committee on Fire Department—To repair house Engine Company No. 4.

Of Committee on Sewers—In favor of constructing a sewer in Second-street, from the westerly side of the First-avenue to the Bowery.

Of Committee on Fire Department—In favor of building a new bell tower in Twenty-fifth-street, between Second and Third-avenues.

Of Committee of Ordinances—In favor of an ordinance providing for the licensing of Express wagons.

MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS.

Report of Committee on Fire Department, adverse to petition of George N. Whitehead to be reinstated in the Fire Department. Laid on the table.

Of same Committee, non-concurring with the Board of Common Council to purchase ten additional feet for Engine Co., No. 20, and in favor of purchasing a full lot. Adopted.

Resolution by Alderman ELY, that the Street Commissioner report the reasons for the delay in competing the contract for regulating and grading Fifty-second-street from the Eleventh-avenue to the Hudson River, which contract was made Feb. 2, 1853. Adopted.

UNION FERRY COMPANY.

Resolution by Alderman FOX, that the Union Ferry Company be instructed to run a boat from the Catherine-street Ferry every ten minutes from 9 o'clock P. M. until 12 o'clock, and every hour thereafter until 4 o'clock A. M.

Alderman VOORHIS said the boats might as well run all night as to run till 4 o'clock—it would require a new set of men.

Alderman FOX said, under the present arrangement the boats run only every half-hour, after 9 till 12, and then ceased entirely, which compelled vast numbers to go to Fulton Ferry. The Company, he said, by the conditions of their lease were obliged to run, as set forth in the resolutions, and he hoped they would be enforced to do so.

Ald ELY was opposed to passing through a matter so important upon a naked resolution. No petitions or remonstrances from parties affected had been received.

The resolution was referred to Committee on Ferries.

Alderman BAIRD moved a resolution that the Union Ferry Company be also directed to run their boats on the Hamilton-avenue Ferry every quarter of an hour after 9 o'clock P. M. up to 1 o'clock, and that they commence running at 4 o'clock A. M. Referred as the above.

CONTRACT FOR CURBING, &C., EIGHTY-THIRD-STREET.

By Alderman WAKEMAN—A remonstrance from owners of lots affected by the assessment for grading, setting curb and gutter stones, flagging &c., of Eighty-third-street, from Third-avenue to Avenue A; that the bill of James Brady, Contractor, under ordinance, to excavate said street, being seven times more than the value of work done, be unpaid. After prolonged discussion, it was refered to Aldermen WAKEMAN, VOORHIS, and various Special Committee.

NIGHT SOIL.

Petition of Marshal D. Manly for the use of two piers on the East and North Rivers to place there two tight decked boats to receive night soil from the sewengers. The permission granted for five piers, petitioner engages to receive and carry away said night soil without expense to the City. Referred to Committee on Wharves, Piers and Slips.

SEAT IN THE BOARD.

Alderman BRIGGS offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That George W. Matsell, Chief of Police, report to seven as possible in this body how many Americans, Irishmen, Scotchmen, Germans, Frenchmen, Englishmen, and of all other nations, there are in the Police Department of this City; also, how many of the present policemen have been in the prisons of the United States and of other countries; also, how many of the present policemen have been naturalized, and how many have been in this country less than five years; also, by whom all the members of the present Police Department of this City were appointed.

Alderman HOWARD moved to lay the resolution on the table, which was lost.

AYES—Aldermen Brown, Williamson, Baird, Hoffmire, Howard, Stone, Kelly, Herrick and Varian—8.

NAYS—Aldermen Briggs, Fox, Tucker, Voorhis, Traybolden, Wakeman, Briggs, Barker, Conkey, Ely, Lord and C. E. Tucker—12.

On a motion for adoption the following were the votes:

AYES—Aldermen Williamson, Stone, Fox, Tucker, Traybolden, Wakeman, Briggs, Barker, Conkey, Ely, Lord and C. E. Tucker—12.

NAYS—Aldermen Brown, Baird, Hoffmire, Howard, Kelly, Herrick and Varian—5.

The Board adjourned to Thursday.

Board of Councilmen.

The President, D. D. GONDOUIN, Esq., in the Chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS PRESENTED AND REFERRED.

In relation to the grading and setting curb and gutters, &c., in Eighty-third-street, asking for an investigation. Of P. Coyle, to be paid the amount due on his contract for cleansing the streets of the Second, Fourth and Sixth Wards of the City. Of Alfred Lagrant, to add 100 feet to the Pier foot of Harrison-street. To have the gas lamps lighted in the City all the year round without change. To have the City Hall built in Madison-square. To remove dumping boards from foot of Vesey-street, North River. To be paid for a pile of bricks removed from Beekman-street by George O. Glazier as a nuisance and obstruction to passengers. In relation to a fire escape ladder. To have Croton water pipe laid in Eighty-fourth-street. Of Engine Co. No. 19 to be furnished with the apparatus of Engine Co. No. 18. For a dock at the foot of Forty-seventh-street. For a market in the vicinity of Gansevoort-street or Fourteenth-street, North River. To have sunken lots filled in between Twelfth and Thirteenth-streets. For a fire bell at the junction of Third and Fourth-avenues. That the Tompkins line of stages may be compelled to run the whole length of that street. For a sewer in Mott-street. Of Engine Co. No 33 to have their house altered. Of Hose Co. No. 9, for a new hose carriage. For a slip for the exclusive use of the Branch pilots of the City. Of Richard Gambling, to be paid for services as a policeman. For two lamps in front of Chusek in Fifth-avenue. For a cross-walk in front of church in Twenty-third-street. To flag Twenty-sixth-street, between Sixth and Seventh-avenues. Of Edward Hepper, to be paid for services as a Street Inspector. Of C. Ackerman, to be paid for services as a policeman. In relation to the grading of Fifty-fifth-street. Of John Hodgins, to be paid his loss on contract for Trinity-place. In relation to lighting the City with gas. In relation to the sewers in the Eighth-avenue. Asking for the exclusive privilege of carrying all the dead animals and butchers' offal away. To have Madison-square improved. Of Vest Tassell and others, to be relieved from a fine.

RESOLUTION LAID ON THE TABLE.

That the Committee on Washington's Birthday allow no spirituous liquors to be drank in celebration of that event.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

To remove the incumbrances from Pier No. 39 East river. That the Comptroller furnish this Board all the information in relation to the contract for Eighty-third-street, and the payment of $18,000 on said contract. Directing the Counsel to the Corporation to draft a law, authorizing the City to raise a loan for building a new City Hall. To appropriate $300 for paying the expenses of the exhibition of the steam fire engine.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

To inquire into the expediency of extending and repairing Pier at the foot of Fifth-street, East River. In relation to taking up the rails on the track of the Hudson River Railroad Company, from Chambers to Thirty-first street. In relation to the removal of piles at Piers Nos. 34 and 35, East River, near Catherine Market. To have Catherine-street paved with the Belgian pavement. In relation to building receiving-basins and culverts at Beach, Vestry and Laight-streets. To have Pier No. 34, foot of Harrison-street, North River, repaired. That the sidewalks in Broome-street, from Tompkins street to East River, be flagged. To stay proceedings in the matter of opening Fifty-fifth-street. To advertise for proposals for grooving *the Russ pavement. To grade Fifty-fifth-street* from the Eighth to the Third-avenue. In favor of purchasing the Crystal Palace for market purposes. To have Eighty-fourth-street, between Third-avenue and Avenue B, flagged. To flag both sides of Thirty-first street, between Seventh and Eighth-avenues. To refer to the Committee on Ordinances the resolution against driving cattle and swine through south of Forty-second-street. To prevent the slaughtering of cattle below Fifteenth-street. To place a marine clock on the Fire-alarm stations.

REPORT ORDERED TO BE PRINTED.

From the Committee on Finance in relation to the memorial of the workingmen. The Committee on their resolution regret the sufferings and distress among the workingmen and its inability to meet the call upon it for permanent and enduring relief.

COMMUNICATIONS TO BE PRINTED.

From the Committee on Streets and Lamps in relation to contracts. From the Comptroller in reply to a resolution in relation to paving the Bowery.

On motion the Board adjourned to Wednesday.

Board of Supervisors.

The Mayor in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were presented ordered to be paid:

Of the Bloomingdale Asylum, for the board of Mrs. Ann Smith, for the year 1854.....$212 16
Of John Mallory, for copying in Register's office. 112 00
Of John Adams, do do do.....116 20
Of Dennis Fiye and others, for copying.....720 00
Of John Paulson for copying.....93 60
Of three Daily Papers, for publishing annual statement of the Clerk of this Board.....140 75
Of C. E. Whitaker, for copying.....29 50
Of S. T. Tick, for copying.....114 60

Adjourned to Monday.

THE SLAVE TRADE.

Further Investigation into the charge against Captain Filletti.

The further investigation of the charges against Capt. J. FILLETTI was resumed yesterday before U. S. Commissioner MORTON. The following additional evidence was elicited:

Commodore Eli A. F. Lavallette sworn: I was commander of the squadron on the Coast of Africa in the year 1853; I was there in October and November 1853; I recollect the case of the schooner *Advance*; I arrived at Porto-de-Praya in the month of October 1853; I there found the schooner *Advance* at anchor, along side several of my squadron; the schooner *Advance* drifted down a point near her anchorage, and the boats from the squadron in command of Lieut. Rogers, and I think Mr. Walker, went to her assistance; it was necessary to take some part of her cargo out in order to get her off; she was released from her perilous situation, having met with some damage, and carpenters from the squadron were sent to repair the damages sustained; sometime after this, a few days afterwards, Capt. Kraft came on board of the *Germantown* to express his acknowledgment for the services rendered him; I had, on that occasion, more than half an hours' conversation, and learned *from himself* that he had been an old trader upon the coast; *I asked various questions about the currents, winds, anchorage, &c.* to all of which he gave very clear answers; on Nov. 2, 1853, I received from the Collector of Customs at Porto-de-Praya, Señor José Maria Lopez, to which I replied as follows:

(Capt. Filletti's counsel objected to the admission as testimony.)

FLAG SHIP GERMANTOWN,
PORT AU PRAYA, Nov. 2, 1853.

SIR: I have received your official communication of the 2d inst. informing me that the American Schooner *Advance* now in this port has landed under suspicious circumstances—a large boiler and fourteen casks done up in bundles at your custom house, and that you suppose from these circumstances she is intended for the slave trade; also that you have notified the American Consul to that effect.

I thank you for the information and will have the necessary steps taken to investigate the matter immediately. I have the honor, &c.

E. A. F. LAVALLETTE.

(Introduction of letter objected to by the counsel of the defence.)

A joint commission of officers was appointed by the authorities of the place and myself to examine the vessel; the commission consisted of officers of the squadron and of the port; it was on the report of that commission that I considered it proper to send the vessel home for trial; I sent the mate of the *Advance* and one or two of the crew home in her; the captain of the vessel in the meantime had deserted her and also a person who came out as a supercargo; as I am desirous of dispensing of this supercargo I will say that Capt. Kraft in my interview with him he said that they had sent a vessel in advance of the schooner *Advance* down upon the coast of Africa; a day or two after this conversation the person, called the supercargo of the *Advance*, came on board of the *Germantown* and said that he had understood that the *Germantown* was going down the coast, and as he was a merchant, and had a trading station at Cabendo, he asked me to allow him to go with us in the *Germantown*; I examined the vessel which had gone in advance to be of the same *character as the one in the harbor; I consented*, and instructed the chief officer to lead him on to ascertain where the vessel in advance had gone to; the captain of the schooner *Advance* expressed his fears on shore—the weak living with the Cassely—that I would leave him on the first opportunity that offered; which I would have done; an English vessel then in the harbor, I think which sailed a few days after the *Advance* had left the port, *carried the captain of the Advance in her*; she left during the night; I suspected the *William Rogers*, an American vessel, had left with a trunk belonging to the captain of the *Advance*; I had her examined after she got out of port, and we did not find the trunk; the captain of the schooner was not in her; I suppose he had carried off the captain of the vessel; I do not remember the name of the vessel; it went home from the station of the month of November; the *Advance* proceeded to the United States; I heard that Capt. Kraft was in the vicinity of Philadelphia, and I sent a boat and officer to bring him on board; the officer reported to me that Capt. Kraft was not there; I then sent a letter addressed to Capt. Kraft, to the care of Mr. Walker, Philadelphia.

Q.—Do you recognize a Captain of the *Advance* here? A.—I have had no acquaintance with the Captain of the *Advance* of course from that half an hour; I saw a person sitting towards Capt. Filletti, and I asked him if he was the captain of the schooner, and about the length of time, (Mr. Filletti); he said he was; then I asked him if he was a native of Sardinia; then he turned a little, which I remember it particularly; did I observe any blemish in his eye, which I discover this morning.

Q.—Do you or not recognize any person present as the Captain of the *Advance*? A.—Well, sir, sometimes impressions are made by appearances, as, for instance, the circumstances which have called me here, that would not be sufficient under other circumstances; also, if this gentleman had been placed among twenty or thirty other men in the room, and I was asked if any one of them bore a resemblance to the Captain of the *Advance*, I would say this gentleman (Filletti) did.

Cross-examined by Mr. Eaton—It would take a vessel ordinarily to go from Porto-de-Praya to St. Vincent and thence to Rio Janeiro, or Bahia; from five or five days to St. Vincent at greatest length, and twenty-five days to Rio, making a month altogether; it would take fifteen days to go to New-York, and from there to New-Orleans by land or steamboat not more than fifteen days; from Richard Street to New-Orleans by ship would require fifty days; I do not know of a passenger having been taken against Capt. Kraft to Virginia; this present proceeding first came to my knowledge on Saturday afternoon about 4 o'clock, though a summons; I have conversed with Mr. McKeon the commencement of this subject; I asked Lieut. Strain if he could recognize this gentleman as the Captain, and he told me he could not; I asked Mr. Thompson, the carpenter, the same question; Lieut. Strain was Lieutenant of the Germantown; I did not remember whether he went on board of the *Advance* or not; I instructed him to inquire in relation to him at the Custom-House; Mr. Strain is an excellent linguist, and on account of his knowledge of the Portuguese he was employed; conversation has been called the appearance of the Captain of the *Advance* to my attention, and I could recollect no one that resembled him; I conversed with Capt. Kraft on the *Advance* in the English language; I did not think he had any other language; I did not inquire of him what was his native place he was a native of; he told me that he was an old trader on the coast; I do not know that I asked him any questions about the vessels; he did not tell me the names of any vessels he had commanded; that I recollect of; Capt. Kraft mentioned facts which led me to believe he was familiar with the coast, and had been on the coast immediately preceding the conversation; the information was such that I felt that a person could give it unless he had been there frequently; a person who could give the information which was given by the Captain of the *Advance*, might be supposed to have been for several years, and still be capable of giving it as he did; I supposed I have seen these very particularly, to have been possessed of the information he did; he spoke, I know, of Cabenda as an excellent watering-place; he was genteelly dressed; in this clothing I presume, as it was warm weather; I cannot tell the color of his coat or pantaloons; I think I should have observed if the captain had lost a tooth or had a defect in his eye; I observed no marks about Capt. Kraft's face that; I had a conversation with Mr. Knowles about this subject; in what I have said in regard to identity in the recognition of this gentleman (Capt. Filletti) to Kraft; if I had come into the house without a knowledge of the gentleman being here, I might not have observed the resemblance between him and Capt. Kraft, but knowing that a gentleman was present who is believed to resemble Capt. Kraft, I detected the resemblance immediately.

Ebenezer Thompson sworn: I hold a carpenter's warrant in the navy; I was on board of the *Germantown* in the fall of 1853, on the coast of Africa; I was on board of the schooner *Advance* while at Porto-de-Praya; I searched the vessels; the part of the cargo I saw was some lumber—white pine plank and scantling; I saw a number of "sheaths," or bundles of staves, all numbered so that they could be easily put together; I suppose, from their size, that each case, when put together, would hold 200 gallons; I saw in the Custom-House a large boiler, on which was marked "Water Filterer;" it had the appearance of being a water filterer; there were also some bricks in the *Advance*; these things were taken out; there was nothing else that I saw to excite a suspicion; in my conversation with the captain of the *Advance*, he told me that his vessel was fitted at Baltimore; he said that he had had her repaired at Baltimore, and had had a new false keel put on her there.

Cross-examined by Mr. Eaton—The *Advance* was painted lead color; I should not judge she had been painted over a month or fortnight, from the bright color of the paint; I went on board with my men to make the repairs in the *Advance*; none of this time the Captain was on board.

Raymond Brooker, sworn: I was on the coast of Africa in the Fall of 1853, on the United States sloop-of-war *Germantown*; I saw the schooner *Advance* there first in the latter part of October; I saw her there that time to the 23d or 24th of November; I knew the vessel called the *Bolliver*; I saw her last at Green Point; the *Bolliver* is a brig; I saw her last at Green Point; the *Bolliver* is a brig; I saw the *Bolliver* when she was at Green Point; (Objected to as irrelevant; the *Bolliver* was not engaged in the slave-trade.) I do not know her tonnage; I cannot tell her size exactly. (One of the witnesses of the vessel have estimated the tonnage of the *Bolliver* to be 194 tons.) She is very sharp built and well calculated to sail; after the *Bolliver* was launched I saw her between Jackson and Greenwich-streets, East River; she went from there to Brooklyn; she remained there a week taking in coal in Brooklyn; she went from Brooklyn to Jersey City and there took in lumber; I saw her last in the North Steamer Pier No. 7 on S. I think Pier No. 7; I saw the Captain of the *Advance* on the coast of Africa; he was on the *Advance* leaving as Porto-de-Praya; I saw him afterward in Green Point in the month of July.

Q.—Do you recognize any person in this room of the man? A.—I recognize the prisoner (Captain Filletti) as the Captain of the *Advance*; I was at work in Green Point, on the bark *North Star*; I saw this man (FILLETTI) on the frame of the brig *Bolliver*; he looked to me like a man I had seen; I was at a distance from him; one day, while I was leaving the brig, this man looked at me in a kind of a way, that the Captain looked at me in the schooner *Advance*; when I first saw him in the *Advance* I was going forward, he was sitting forward; I wanted to speak to him; he was sitting forward, he looked with one eye; he had a patch, and with his tooth in sight; he gave just such a look in the yard at Green Point; that was the first time I had been close to him; I then recognized him as the Captain of the *Advance*; I saw this gentleman coming there from day to day, for six or seven weeks; after he left there I saw him at the foot of Jackson-street; I saw him also when in Brooklyn, in a coal-yard, when the *Bolliver* was lying there; I saw him next in Green Point, where the *Bolliver* was lying there; the next time after I saw him was on the *Bolliver*, East River; I next saw him on board the *Bolliver*, North River.

Cross-Examined by Mr. Eaton—I am 22 years of age; I was born in the State of Maine; my business prior to going in the United States ships was coopering mostly; on the *Germantown* I was cooper; I knew Lieut. Rogers, Commodore Lavallette and other officers of the African squadron; I think my judgment in the identification of a man is as good as any other officer's; I think my judgment from the number of times I saw the captain of the *Advance* is as good as Commodore Lavallette's, who states that he conversed with the captain of the *Advance* a half hour; the eyes, complexion and build of the captain of the *Advance* attracted my attention; did not count his fingers; I suppose he had five on each hand; I did not observe that his hands were deformed; the captain had on a suit similar to that which he has on now, as near as I can recollect; for anything I know he may have had on a different dress when we talked with Commodore Lavallette; I do *not know anything about the trial of Captain Kraft here*; I made the complaint in this case; I stated in it that a vessel was being built at Green Point which was supposed to be designed for the Slave-trade, and that she was being built for the Captain of the *Advance*, whom I had seen on the coasts of Africa; the carpenters who were at work on the vessel all supposed that the *Bolliver* was designed for the Slave-trade; I cannot recollect the surnames of the carpenters; one man was called Philo; I intended to state in the complaint that the Captain of the schooner *Advance* was at Green Point building a brig, and that the schooner *Advance* was taken on the coast of Africa; I do not know that this complaint says anything about the building of a brig at Green Point; I did not read the complaint, but it was read to me; I went to the Tombs when Captain Filletti was there; I did not say anything to him except to ask him how he did; some of the officers said to Capt. Filletti that it was a pretty comfortable place; I know a blacksmith named Waters; I saw him last in July; I worked less than two days in the *Bolliver* in the employment of Capt. Filletti; I was discharged by Capt. Filletti; I have been engaged in shecking the planks; I was discharged because the vessel was let out to men called "Lumpers;" a few men were retained in employment; I did not state to Mr. Waters in his hearing that I would have something out of the prisoner; I did not state anything of that import.

Q.—Did you not make in his hearing some threat against Capt. Filletti? A.—No more than that if the brig was for that purpose she would be seized or stopped.

Q.—Did you not threaten to make a complaint against him? A.—I did Sir.

Q.—How soon after did you make the complaint? A.—Not till the brig was ready launched; I do not recollect to whom I first mentioned the subject.

Q.—Did you not meet Capt. Filletti once in Broadway and threaten to complain of him? A.—No Sir.

Q.—Did you not somewhere? A.—Yes Sir, at Green Point. The complaint I threatened to make was about the brig *Bolliver*; this was a day or two after, the same day I was discharged; until I was discharged I never made any threat to the Captain.

Q.—*Did you ever intend to make any other complaint* than the complaint against this brig as being fitted for the Slave-trade? A.—Not at that time; *I did after I found that he could be arrested; I did not know that he* could be arrested until I called at this office.

Q.—How happened you to deliver the *Bolliver* all about the port? A.—The officers ordered me to do so.

Q.—What salary do you receive? A.—Nothing.

Q.—*How do you live? A.—By what work I do* evenings and mornings at piano-forte action making.

Q.—Was you not at one time at Green Point inquiring about the carpenters, and told to go away by the Captain? A.—I was.

Q.—Was this not before you made the complaint and after you had discharged, and after you had made the threat? A.—It was.

Direct examination resumed—I stopped the officers the day of Capt. Filletti's arrest; the officers who came on my premises, first of Captain Filletti's, and then Mr. Waters, and I stopped the men.

Q.—Did you ever see Capt. Filletti before that time? A.—I never saw Capt. Filletti before that time; I never saw him since; I never saw him before; I never saw him since; I never saw him before; I never saw him since; I never saw him before

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American Sympathies in Europe.

The suggestion at Washington of American mediation in the quarrel between Russia and the Western Powers of Europe, and the discussion in the Press here in regard to the sympathies of this country on the Eastern question, have called forth extended comment from the London papers. There is mingled surprise and regret expressed that our people should lean either to Russia or to a state of indifference. Of course these papers mistake the importance due to the very extravagant text upon which they comment. They have long since suffered themselves to be humbugged into the practice of quoting opinions as American, which have neither respectable origin, moral weight, nor serious readers on this side the Atlantic. But this folly will cure itself after a time. It is fortunate in the present instance that they have not all been willing to take the motives ascribed for American sympathy or indifference for true, because found in the New-York *Herald*. The Ministerial journal of the British Metropolis, the *Morning Chronicle*, treats us on a more reputable basis. It cannot believe us sordid by entirely selfish. It cannot think the Cabinet at Washington capable of siding with the Czar because he is the rival of England and England the rival of the United States, simply as a bid for future advantage over England in the direction of Russian commerce. The *Chronicle* rather prefers to believe that—

"There is in the States a numerous, and, we fear, increasing, section of the population who openly proclaim their utter indifference to the concerns of other parts of the world. America for the Americans in their motto, and their profession a cold carelessness for eight hundred. They would hold our counsel, though NAPOLEON's prophecy were realized in an extended sense, and the Christian world became divided into Republican and Cossack, with the Atlantic rolling between. Against principles so degraded, which would isolate America from the community of nations, and render her unworthy to participate in the progress, as she would not sympathize in the struggles, of Europe, we trust that public opinion throughout the States will, ere long, be roused. America has done the march for the benefit of the world, and played an active part in its destinies, now to declare herself indifferent 'about right and wrong, aggression and resistance, despotism and freedom, merely because separated by a few thousand miles of water from the scene of conflict. *No high-minded and generous nation can witness without emotion the self-sacrificing in the cause of Justice against Ambition, in whatever part of the world it may be carried on.* We will not do our American relatives so much wrong, as to believe it possible that they can watch the issues of the great struggle now pending in Europe with no higher feeling than a desire to reap for themselves some peddler's profits out of the combatants."

This is all very fine sentiment for the present emergency; but utterly unmeaning when attempted to be applied in the broad sense the language we have italicized would convey. American intervention found no favor in England or France three years ago, when Kossuth, in the name of Justice then struggling against Ambition in Hungary, solicited material aid and Government sympathy. The whole principle of overt interference in European affairs was ignored at Washington, and this official refusal subsequently sanctioned and praised in London and Paris, as quite consistent with our position and institutions. Here, then, can it reasonably be expected that we should do more in the war of despots now going on in Eastern Europe? If England were fighting, single-handed, the Czar of Russia on a question of aggression or humanity, and had the right on her side, or even the appearance of right, the popular sentiment of this country might amount to more than "utter indifference." Not that the English people are universal favorites, but because the English Government is a Constitutional one, more nearly approaching our own than the absolutism of Russia. But in this instance there is no such plea. As we have often had occasion to remark, England has waived all claim to Transatlantic sympathy, by her association with LOUIS NAPOLEON and FRANCIS JOSEPH. These despots libel the name of "Justice" at home, and are incapable of appreciating "Freedom" abroad. Turk and Cossack are alike indifferent to them on the point of Humanity. "Aggression" has been their own favorite game, and "Despotism" ranks among their highest privileges.

But this war, we are told, may settle the prediction of the great NAPOLEON, that Europe must become divided between Republican and Cossack. Therefore it is that the United States, having played so active a part in the world's destinies, must not now declare themselves indifferent to the issue. This *is* worth thinking *of*. But let us first know whether the issue is really joined between Republican and Cossack. We do not at present see it in this light. We much doubt, indeed, whether the English Ministry, of which the *Chronicle* is one of the acknowledged organs, would consent to such interpretation of the Eastern question, much less their allies of France and Austria. Whenever the struggle of "the peoples" in Europe resolves itself into this single issue, and England shall elect to stand by the Republican cause, to which her Constitution certainly approximates more nearly than to the absolutism of the North, the sympathies of this country will find expression in something more effective than indifference. Our British "relatives" will then find that we neither desire to see Europe Cossack nor to make the Atlantic the ordinary line between Freedom and Despotism.

How shall we treat Poverty?

How to treat Poverty is one of the problems which, happily, we have not often been driven to study out. It is one that needs the profoundest study. It cannot be settled by the experience of a single year, nor by dealing with it in its modified forms for a lifetime. In the old countries they have a richer experience than we. Long may it be before ours is as rich. But abroad they have one trick that we do not know. Not that they have learned how to treat Poverty, but Poverty unrelieved breeds Crime, and criminals they *can* take care of, for they have an America to buy them a passage to, while our poor must be cared for in our midst, and for the criminals that the faults of our social system beget there is no penal colony to relieve us of.

The present Winter has been teaching us long lessons in this science—the proper treatment of Poverty. We shall be guilty if we come to the threshold of another with as crude notions of the avenues that enlightened Benevolence should flow in. We hope that men who are interested in anything that pertains to the good of the race will watch closely the facts that are evolved in course of the Winter's experimentation. How far may we—how far *ought* we to give to beggars in the streets? Is there any danger of doing injustice when we punish vagrancy and begging? Do we harm any when we open houses in which to feed the poor and send kettles of soup and loaves of bread to the houses of the indigent? Will it help, or hurt, to pay a man's rent when an extortionate landlord storms for it in advance? Are our existing Associations for the Relief of the Poor satisfactory, if ample funds are supplied them? Is it good policy to create jobs for the simple sake of giving work to those who lack it, and can any system of removing those who cannot work here, into the country, be adopted with mutual benefit to City and country? These questions and the like of them press upon us now daily. Before the Fall of 1856 sets in, we should be able to meet and satisfactorily answer them.

In another part of this morning's paper we give two documents, that discuss some of these questions from different points of observation. The one suggests the danger and the positive harm that is done to general benevolence by our hints and cautions to be sure that we *know* the objects of our benevolence to be worthy, lest the receiver be harmed by the gift, tightening, as he alleges, the purse-strings, and giving excuses to the stingy for withholding aid. The other cites facts to show that some of our benevolence has not been wisely directed. Good authorities tell us that since the soup-houses have been opened in some portions of the City, the attendance upon the Industrial Schools has decreased. Some who were professional beggars and had been reformed have gone back to their old profession, and lost already all they had gained in habits of self-reliance and self-respect. Begging certainly has multiplied itself. Our basement doors are besieged from morning till night by seekers after charity. Some one is stationed on every block, and on Sundays the thoroughfares and the corners near the churches are thronged with them. Is this all because work is scarcer and the times harder? Or has dependence come to be more respectable, and is begging looked on as a calling less degrading?

We do not profess to give a definite opinion on these knotty subjects. We shall have greater respect for the self-conceit than for the wisdom of him who does, unless we can see that his opinion is based upon well-authenticated facts. We hope Mr. Gradgrind will be about this Winter gathering up facts. From them alone shall we be able to extract any theories for future guidance that will be safe, or any system of practice which can be followed, without the risk either of neglecting poverty that deserves attention or of encouraging indigence to lapse into hopeless pauperism.

One thing, however, is proved—that those organizations which work for the relief of the body through the agency of or coincident with the effort to improve the moral condition, are of the greatest service and do their work most thoroughly. When in the early Winter we published the programme and the contributions collected for purposes of charity by one of our City Churches, there flowed in upon us a very considerable wave of indignant responses. "How much better," said one, "if this thousand collected to support Sunday Schools had been spent in bread for the hungry." "Insulting," said another, "to offer to a woman who asks a bone to gnaw that her hunger may be appeased, a Bible or a tract." "Shame," said a third, "on the impracticable Christianity which takes the six hundred dollars to pay a man for preaching the Gospel to men and women who are famishing for the lack of bread." We did not publish these indignant epistles, for we *presumed* then—as we *know* now—that their authors would be heartily ashamed of their ignorant zeal before Spring. Let us go now to one of the Industrial Schools, or Sabbath Schools supported by the fund then and thus raised. We see children, who a year ago were begging, lying, stealing in the streets, now decently dressed and in some business that earns something—very little indeed sometimes, but always something—for the support of the family. We know that every child's history has been learned as far as possible, and so far as could be his home has been rendered comfortable. In it none have been allowed to suffer for food or for clothing, for fuel or for rent money; needed articles of either sort being so delicately conveyed—sometimes directly as if a reward for the child's attention; sometimes by way of a loan on easy terms; sometimes in payment for services rendered where the services were not really needed—that not a sentiment once developed of the dignity of self-reliance has been obliterated, nor the honest pride of any worthy parent been offended. The families have been watched over as if they were included within the charge of the church originating the school; their unemployed members transported to good situations in the country, so far as could be done, the children gathered into day-schools, and higher instincts than merely animal ones developed and nursed into growth. This the Winter has reestablished to all observers:—that whether or not soup-houses have produced any incidental harm, whether or not any institution has mistaken objects for its charity, every Church has its legitimate sphere of duty to perform to all the poor that it can reach through its appointed means. Nor will any wise man, however important he deems the provisions for relieving immediate and day-to-day want, despise those permanent methods of relief which aim to prevent future want while ministering to that which is present.

General Scott—The Crimea.

It will scarcely be thought presumption, in this country, at least, to say that such a commander as WINFIELD SCOTT ought to have directed the Allied campaign in the Crimea to render its success sure. Lord FITZROY SOMERSET, (now Lord RAGLAN,) though the *protegé* of WELLINGTON, and long a member of his Staff—with the experience of the bloody field of Waterloo to aid him—bears no comparison, in point of practical Generalship, to the Hero of Vera Cruz and Mexico. He may not be responsible for all the sufferings of the campaign, nor justly amenable for the failure, thus far, of the siege. We deem it more than probable that the savage attacks upon his administration of the army, in the London *Times* are, in a measure, unwarranted by the facts of the case. But it is abundantly evident that he is not a WELLINGTON in energy, nor a SCOTT in the general conduct of an important and almost vital campaign. "It has occurred to me," writes an intelligent correspondent of the Savannah *Republican*, now on the Continent of Europe, "that SCOTT would have projected the expedition against Sebastopol at the outset. The instant he did so he would have made a requisition for reinforcements to the number of 20,000 or 40,000 men, provided that like Lord RAGLAN he had less than 30,000 to attack the enemy in his fastness. He would have insisted that these troops should begin to appear immediately after landing in the Crimea—not only to supply actual losses, but to increase his effective strength." The same writer continues:

He would never have attacked the position on the Alma in front without first sending a column by a wide detour to turn the Russian right flank; and it is probable that he would have turned the whole position, knowing full well that he would have chances enough of meeting the enemy on more equal terms. Tactics—by which is meant manœuvres in presence of the enemy—were not so much called into requisition here as strategy, by which is meant those movements which take place out of view of the enemy. On arriving before Sebastopol he would have devoted some days to incessant reconnoissances and investigations. Having fixed on Balaklava as his great dépôt, he would at all hazards have maintained command of the Woronzoff road, and had there been the least risk of being cut off from it, as the English were on the 25th October, he would have begun at once, in anticipation of the wet season, to construct a macadamized road along the almost impassible route now used, or some other. For this object he would have employed, under an efficient officer, Turks, Tartars, soldiers—every one available at whatever price—knowing how indispensable such a thoroughfare would be for the reception of guns, munitions of war, provisions, hospital stores, fuel, huts, everything."

Such was substantially the line of policy, on a different but not less difficult theatre, adopted by General SCOTT in the memorable campaign from Vera Cruz to the gates of Mexico, conducted with only 8,000 effective troops, all told, and turning or conquering every fortified point that impeded his way, from the National Bridge to the King's Mill. His administrative talents in the camp alone, if possible, above his masterly generalship in the field; and the world has yet to measure—by contrast, it may be, with the conduct of the present war in Europe—the prodigies of success as well as valor which he accomplished with a force so inconsiderable as to amount to less than one-sixth the Allied Army in the Crimea, and in an enemy's country densely populated, and protected by a line of well-selected defences, rendered almost impregnable by nature, of nearly two hundred miles.

Mr. Edward Bates, of Missouri.

This gentleman, an old and distinguished member of the St. Louis bar, of sterling personal worth and fine abilities, has been warmly solicited to suffer his name to be used by the Whigs of the Legislature for the United States Senate, to succeed Mr. ATCHISON. He declines the compliment in terms which reflect equal credit upon his good taste and unaffected devotion to the endearments of home, and the pursuits of private and professional life. When young, he tells his friends, he *did* once aspire to political distinction, but losing his aim, he was cured of the intellectual malady, and lost all desire for place and patronage.

Mr. BATES was one of the pioneer lawyers of Missouri. Talented and ambitious, he sought public preferment, but was beaten by the BENTON influence, then, and for twenty years after, in the ascendant in the State. A devoted friend of Mr. CLAY, and a consistent adherent of the Whig cause, he was content while other men bore sway, to make "the post of honor the private station." President FILLMORE, on the death of General TAYLOR, sought to bring him from retirement into the new Cabinet, then forming at Washington. But he respectfully declined the handsomely-proffered honor. When his friend and neighbor, Mr. GRATZ, was made Senator, to succeed Mr. BENTON, his name was canvassed, though without his concurrence, for the place; and now, on the recurrence of a similar state of things in the Missouri Legislature, he is again solicited to enter the Senate. His reply is a model of perspicuity and sincerity. He says:

My pecuniary circumstances, though such as to enable me to feel comfortable and independent, are not such as to warrant me in abandoning my private pursuits, and devoting all my time and energies to the public service. When I was young, my ambition was an active principle, and would have led me to sacrifice much of time and comfort for the privilege of figuring in the high places of public life. But I was, long ago, cured of the intellectual malady—so near akin to patriotism—and being once so thoroughly beaten as to make me acquainted with defeat, I, fortunately, lost the desire for public station along with the power to obtain it; and ever since, my purpose has been settled, never again to exhaust my energies and waste my better feelings in toilsome efforts—and perhaps vain and foolish efforts—to climb the slippery heights of politics. Besides, my opinions on most public subjects are formed and settled; my habits are retired and domestic, and all my sources of happiness are at home.

Visit Your Schools.

You couldn't do a better thing. Your boy has the idea that you care scarcely more than a fig's value about his progress there—your girl thinks that you are too busy about *more important* matters to worry about her recitations. Grammar is dry as dust to her, Geography is tedious, Arithmetic is a bore, Reading is horrid, Writing is her special abomination. If she speaks of either at the table she is hushed up. You talk of stocks and the Senatorship—of the war and free trade. The young ones learn to think their studies very small matters in comparison with yours.

But visit their school to-day. Hear a lesson or two recited. Learn from their teacher what their standing is, what their weak points are, in what they oftenest fall, in what they excel. See who sits next them in the schoolroom. See how they compare in personal appearance—whether they look happy and at home. If acquainted with their school habits you cannot but be interested in them, and then you cannot possibly avoid talking of them. Making *their* matters subjects of home conversation will certainly stimulate them to better efforts—make better scholars of them. By all means then visit your schools. Go alone if no one will go with you. You will always be welcomed by the teacher, unless he is a fit one to be turned off. The School Superintendents are out upon their semi-annual examinations now daily, and parents in the districts that they are visiting will find it an excellent opportunity to look in and see how their twigs are being bent, and foresee how their family tree is to be inclined. To-day they visit the Wooster-street school; Wednesday the Madison-street school; Thursday the Houston-street, and Friday the Female Department of the Twenty-seventh-street school. If you are in none of these districts, reader, do yourself a pleasure and your child a good by not waiting for their company, but go along. You would not trust your horse to the best groom for three months unnoticed, nor your best domestic to go always to market. Is your horse of more consequence than your boy? or your dinner than your daughter?

Judge Stuart's Charge.

The Charge of Judge STUART, delivered to the Grand Jury yesterday, will be read with unusual interest. It differs from ordinary documents in a variety of particulars. Judge STUART takes strong ground in favor of apprising parties against whom indictments are found of the means which are to be employed in their prosecution. He opposes the concealment of the nature of testimony from the defendant in criminal cases, because the culprit is liable to suffer injustice from want of opportunity to rebut evidence. The Court also instructed the Jury to endorse witnesses, so that the prisoner may know upon whose testimony it is sought to convict him. These and kindred recommendations, looking toward the better enforcement of justice, are novel features in a Sessions' Charge. Judge STUART has done a good work in calling attention to points which hitherto have been neglected, if not altogether omitted.

Losing Sight of Little Details.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Feb. 5, 1855.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

I am delighted with the marked change that has taken place in matters relating to the comfort, convenience and general improvement of the condition of our City since our worthy Mayor assumed its guardianship, but there are many *little circumstances* which are lost sight of by his Honor, and which our citizens are acquainted with. I refer to *the details in the enforcement* of the various complaints stated in the Complaint book. A complaint is made at the Mayor's office; it is then put in the hands of the Captain of the particular district in which the cause of the complaint is located; he *requests* the officer to remove the source of the trouble. But I have found in several instances that this too often *amounts only to a request*. The commands of the Mayor are *treated lightly*. A combination or *clique* of "*fine fellows*," or "*you treat me and I'll treat you*," is formed between the officer and the offender of the law, by which the command *fails to be executed*. I would be glad if Mayor WOOD would look to these *details* in the performance of his orders,—then will our goodly City flourish like the green bay tree with water near the root. Will his Honor *annihilate* these friendly clique organizations and combinations designed to *thwart* his *noble purposes*, then will his name go down to posterity and his children will rise up and call him blessed. Respectfully, T. D. A.

We publish T. D. A.'s note, but under protest. That a Mayor, who has such a city as New-York to oversee—a crowd of officers, all snug and comfortable in their berths, and quite unused to performing their duties, to set to work and keep them at it—a chapter of abuses to correct, longer than most men can read without fainting—a metropolis to purify, of which almost every street and every department has been modeled and littered after the Augean stable pattern—that an Executive Officer thus occupied should occasionally "lose sight of many little details," is indeed very possible. But we venture that Mayor WOOD "loses sight" of fewer "little details," in proportion to the crowd that are forced upon, and invited to his attention, than does the best citizen out of his small circle of duties that look towards the preservation of good order and the public weal. We doubt if T. D. A. is justified in saying that the orders which follow upon the heels of a complaint that is proved to be just, are treated only "as requests," or affair full of suggestions. The great majority, we know, are honored with most commendable promptness, and the "Black Book" itself would be sufficient witness of the truth of our affirmation. But T. D. A. is a good citizen, and we hereby request him the next time that he can discover any reason for reiterating his complaint, that he enter it in the "Complaint Book." If promptly thereafter the alleged abuse is not corrected, a good many fathers "will rise up and call him blessed," for showing them what they have a month sought in vain to find, a weak point and a dereliction of duty on the part of our marvelously-active Mayor, who has taught us, as if for the first time, what is meant by an "EXECUTIVE OFFICER."

THE NATIONAL OBSERVATORY—No. III.

The Magnetic Telegraph.

Special Correspondence of the N. Y. Daily Times:

WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 2, 1855.

In my letter of yesterday I offered a description of the Magnetic Clock belonging to the Observatory, by use of which the observer is able to note, even within the hundredth part of a second, the precise time at which a star crossed the meridian.

But, possibly, some of my readers are not familiar with the operation of the Magnetic Telegraph, and, therefore, cannot fully appreciate the perfections of the magnetic clock thus described. Let me ask if we cannot get a homely illustration—not of the scientific principle of the magnetic telegraph, nor of the precise mechanism of the instrument, but of the means by which we may instantaneously record our thoughts at a point hundreds of miles distant from us. Electricity is the motive power of the magnetic telegraph. It is, so to speak, trained lightning. Every child knows that lightning, when it strikes an iron rod, will follow it to the earth unless some other object attracts it in a different direction. It will always do so if the rod is thoroughly "insulated;" that is, permitted to come in contact with no other material which has attracting qualities similar to that of metallic substances. Now, the "battery," found in each telegraph office, may be designated as a lightning maker; that is to say, it is so constructed as to create and hold in reserve for use, as wanted, an abundance of electricity or lightning. Whenever it is applied to one end of the telegraphic wire, it runs along it at once to the other end of it—just as lightning follows the entire length of the lightning rod.

At the end of the wire to which a message is to be sent is a spiral spring, gently holding back a little steel point—the magnetic pen. Just in front of this pen is a reel, upon which is wound a narrow strip of bleak white paper, designed to receive the message. Let it be remembered that the pen is fixed in its position, marks no curves or angles, and is immovable except as the spring which holds it permits it to start slightly forward when desired. The reel of paper,—placed in front of the pen, and so near to it as almost but not quite to touch it—is connected with a sort of clock-work arrangement, by which, when the instrument is in operation, the paper is slowly and evenly unrolled.

The several letters of the alphabet, under the Morse system, are represented by a series of combinations of dots and dashes; thus a single dot (.) may be the letter A, a dot and dash (.—) may be C, a dot and dash of double length (.——) may be D, and so on to the end. The stream of electricity—the "stroke of lightning"—running along the wire and reaching the pen above described, has the effect of pushing it forward upon the slowly revolving coil of paper, and holding it there just so long as the stream of electricity continues to play upon the wire; and when *that* ceases, the delicate spiral spring at once withdraws it. It will now be seen that, as the paper is moving continually while the instrument is in operation, when the pen is pressed against it by the force of the electric current, it makes a continuous mark upon it, just so long as this current continues to flow. So if the electric current is alternately put on the wire and shut off rapidly, the pen is brought to and taken from the paper with precisely corresponding alternation and rapidity.

This letting on and shutting off the current of electricity, is what is technically known as "opening" and "closing of the circuit." A "circuit" is the arrangement for metallic connection between the battery or reservoir of electricity, and the point to which a message is to be sent. The operator has at his desk a "key," nothing more than a little brass knob—so arranged that when he presses upon it he causes a connection to be made between the reservoir of electricity and the wire leading to the point where his message is to be received. If he rapidly taps this key, he rapidly puts on and shuts off from the wire the electricity; and the result is, that the pen at the other extremity of the wire makes dots, and, just in proportion to the length of time during which he presses the key—and so enables the electricity to travel on its mission along the wires—is the length of the dash or straight line recorded at the place to which he is writing.

To apply this to the magnetic clock, as stated in my last, a wire passes from the battery into the top of the clock and connects with the head of the pendulum, which is of metal. Another wire, connecting with the recording pen, passes up from beneath the clock to a little steel column, which is placed just below where the end of the pendulum would be were it not in motion. This column and this pendulum do not touch each other; but on the top of the column is a globule of mercury, which fills up the slight space between the steel column and the end of the pendulum, so that at each swing of the latter, its lower point is compelled to pass *through* the mercury. Now, the instrument is set in motion, and the stream of electricity is pressing upon the wire ready to execute its mission; but, as the pendulum swings away from the mercury, it can do nothing, because it has no complete track on which to travel, until it reaches the mercury; and for the brief space of time which is consumed in passing through that the connection is complete, the electricity passes from the battery through the clock and back, the pen is pressed to the paper, and a dot is the result—a dot repeated just as often, and just as instantaneously, as the connection is renewed by this simple process. Thus the pendulum is its own magnetic operator, and records, telegraphically, its seconds. I need not explain this incidental part of my subject further, I trust; and I have only to request my scientific readers to bear in mind that I have purposely disregarded, and left out of sight, important philosophical and scientific principles and modes of applying them, connected with the magnetic telegraph,—my object being, not to critically describe this remarkable invention, but to present a practical idea, to the youngest reader, of the general mode by which the essential result is produced. S.

Amusements.

BURTON'S THEATRE.—Mrs. MOWATT's excellent Comedy of "Fashion" was reproduced here last evening. There is some well intentioned banter in this play, and considerable ingenuity in avoiding hackneied situations where they seem inevitable. The plot, though slight, is worked out with skill, and increases in interest to the end. At long intervals this Comedy merits, and will always achieve, success.

The cast last night although described as "very exceptionable" was open to exception in the female department. The lady who impersonated the governess Mrs. Tiffany indulged in an unnecessary amount of exaggeration. Surely Mrs. Tiffany is [illegible] Mrs. HOUGH's sustained the character of *Millicent* with tact and completeness, but it is out of her line; she should have been *Mrs. Tiffany*. Mr. BURTON in a preposterous costume played the old Maid *Prudence* with marked ability, but, here again a clever actress is cast entirely out of her line. *Gertrude*, Miss RAYMOND, and *Seraphina*, Mrs. HOUGH, were good.

The male characters are all well played. *Adam Trueman*, (Mr. BURTON), is a well drawn character, and loses none of its genial vigor in the hands of Mr. BURTON.

The costumes are good, but in other respects the Comedy is got up in a very slighted manner.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—Mr. BLAKE takes his benefit to-night. We need only mention the fact.

The Mayor and the Hackmen.

Section 21 of the ordinance regulating the licensing, rates of fare, numbering, stands, driving, &c., &c., of hackney coaches, carriages, cabs and stages, in the City of New-York, passed May 19, 1846, and never repealed, reads as follows:

"No person shall policed or rudeness, nor shall the licensed owner or driver of any hackney coach, carriage or cab, or accommodation stage coach, solicit or request, hire, employ, suffer or permit any person to solicit or request, in any way, directly or indirectly, any person or persons in the public streets, or at any place of public amusement, or on board of any steamboat or other vessel, or at any steamboat landing, or other landing, or upon any wharf or pier in the City of New-York, to ride in, or hire, or engage or employ any hackney coach, carriage or cab, or stage coach, under the penalty of ten dollars for each and every offence, to be sued for and recovered from such person, owner or driver, any or either of them, severally and respectively."

Now, this law was a dead letter. The hack-drivers ignored it, and the public forgot that any such ordinance had ever existed. But Mayor WOOD, on his advent to power, lost no time in resuming up the ordinance, and such as had the temerity to violate it. The hack-drivers are consequently in a great state of excitement, and are using their best endeavors for a repeal of the (to them) obnoxious ordinance aforesaid.

They held a meeting last night, and resolved to work with increasing energy for the repeal of section 21, and with that view appointed committees for the different Wards to solicit petitions for its repeal. The hackmen say that it is no crime to solicit work. The men who made the law of which they complain, solicited votes, and used every effort to obtain office. Why, therefore, should the hack driver be prevented from soliciting employment? They think the law unjust and undemocratic and ought to be repealed. They will hold another meeting on Saturday next.

The Ocean Bank Defalcation—Another Application to Bail the Teller.

Extra Sixth Edition.

AT CHAMBERS.

Yesterday shortly after the Court of Oyer and Sessions had adjourned, an application was made to Judge STUART at Chambers, to bail Mr. McGUCKIN, the defaulting Teller of the Ocean Bank. JOHN BRADY, Esq., appeared as sureety for the defendant, who is confined in the City Prison in default of $25,000 security. On behalf of the People, Assistant District-Attorney SHAFFNER appeared, and three owners of real estate, were rigidly examined as to their competency to become bondsmen. The examination was concluded at 4 o'clock last evening, and the matter was further postponed until to-day, for the purpose of advising with District-Attorney HALL. It is no secret that on the trial of the Bank officer for the crime of embezzling above $100,000 from the Ocean Bank, the public will be somewhat startled at expecting certain developments in regard to Mr. GUCKIN's disposal of the enormous amount of plunder. The Broadway gambling houses are said to have received the lion's share of the firmness, an exposé of which will ere long be given in open Court.

The $200 Confidence Game—Arrest of the Swindler.

In yesterday's TIMES we published an account of the modus operandi by which a native of Penobscot County, Maine, named JONATHAN WILSON, was robbed of his money and watch, valued at $300, and Officer KINNEY of the Police "Shadows," has since arrested the principal offender. The prisoner was brought before the Chief of Police, and placed among some twenty different persons, where he stood convening, when the victim came into the office and clearly identified him as the man who feloniously obtained his funds. As the crime was committed in Hoboken, New-Jersey, the defendant was committed to the Tombs, to await the arrival of a requisition from Gov. PRICE of that State.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

MORE ABOUT LOCKS—AN ARTICLE CALCULATED to mislead the public, in relation to the patent rights to manufacture and sell JONES' ROTATING PERMUTATION PLATE LOCK, (more commonly called "The Worlds Fair Lock,") having recently been published, the undersigned will only say in reply, that the following notice: THE WORLD'S FAIR LOCK.

NOTICE.—I have this day sold to Messrs. Stearns & Marvin, manufacturers of Wilder's Patent Salamander Safes, Newark, the sole right to manufacture the ROTATING PERMUTATION PLATE LOCK, Commonly called "Jones' Anti-Compositor Lock; or, The World's Fair Lock."

The latter is now exposed in consequence of this Lock being placed on a desk at the World's Fair, with $1,000 in the lock, to be the reward of any person who could open the lock.

The gold remained thereafter for a period of forty-five days, while the whole city tired of throwing the locks with each new prospect of success, the number of attempts having M. [illegible]

[illegible] Locks, patented and manufactured, who desire to furnish the Locks, or their designs, can be supplied by applying to STEARNS & MARVIN, No. 108 Water-st., who have the exclusive right to manufacture and Locks in the United States.

HENRY C. JONES.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 20, 1855.

STEARNS & MARVIN,

Successors to Rich & Co.,

No. 108 and 110 Water-st., New-York.

The only makers of "Salamander Safes," manufactured Wilder's and Rich's Patents.

DEALERS IN CLOTHING VISITING NEW-YORK this season, are respectfully invited to examine our stock of Spring and Summer clothing, as we feel assured they will find it fully equal in quality, style and cheapness, to any worthy of the name, usually offered. While the establishment of our manufacturers this season has been to greatly reduce their stocks, we have availed ourselves of the advantages of a low market for goods and labor, to manufacture a much larger stock than we have ever before offered, which, consequently, we will be enabled to offer at unusually low prices.

D. DEVLIN & CO., No. [illegible] Broadway, corner of Warren-st., New-York.

PIANOS AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.—HUFFER found it necessary to secure Pianos for $110, $120 and $125, simply as good as the cheapest, and dear. Pianos of every variety of style, including those of his own manufacture, T. Gilbert & Co.'s premium Boston Pianos, and the Mason & Hamlin's modern improved Pianos; second hand Pianos at great bargains; price from $40 to $100. Pianos to rent. Melodeons of every variety, from five different manufactories, including the well known D. H. Jewett's, which, for economy, we believe, the best made in the United States, (tuned to the equal temperament,) offers extremely low prices. Music at the reduced rates.

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DR. BUCHAN'S BALSAMIC SYRUP OF WHITE MUSTARD. For Colds, Coughs, Asthma, Spitting of Blood, Pain in the side, pain and soreness of the breast, and a tough, lingering phlegm. In bottles for 50 cents and one dollar. Sold by C. D. DESILER, Agent, No. 241 Broadway; BOYD & PAUL, No. 139 Chatham-st., and C. V. CLICKENER & CO., No. 21 Bowery.

RICH & CO.'S SAFES AGAIN TRIUMPHANT!

For Text Book.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 2, 1855.

Messrs. STEARNS & MARVIN, Nos. 108 and 110 Water-st., New-York.

Two stores burned last evening. Your safes uncovered.

S. M. P.

LAST DAY.—$15 ONLY FOR A COUNTRY RESIDENCE.—Valuable Building Lots and Farms will be divided among 600 members in the 6th day of January, 1855. Each member, for only $15, will receive, warranted good deed for four lots, 25 by 100 feet, or a farm of from 5 to 20 acres. A few shares left. Apply immediately to GRAHAWOOD, No. 308 Broadway, where maps and prospectus can be had gratis.

SILKS, SILKS.—WE ARE NOW OFFERING GREAT bargains in Rich Dress Silks, of every style. We will open this morning, one case of Rich Plain Silks, at 75 per yard, worth 125, (highly spotted,) by the piece.

E. H. LAMBERTON,

No. 321 Broadway, corner Leonard-st.

DEFIANCE, SALAMANDER, SAFES.—DOBBINS & PATRICK is the only agent in this City, Brooklyn, Williamsburgh, Jersey City and Hoboken, for the above celebrated safes, locks and cross bars. Depot, No. 122 Fulton-st., one door below Hudson-ave.

[illegible] Plan for Building a Railroad to the Pacific Ocean.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

I send you a plan for building a Railroad to the Pacific Ocean. It is my first essay at writing for the press; my domestic having emptied most of my literary waters, but if you think it worth publishing, you will please correct its imperfections, and give it a place in what I call the best daily paper.

I think, Sir, there is nothing that our Government can do, that would so much advance the greatness and glory of the Nation, as to build a national military Railroad to the Pacific Ocean.

It would insure the settlement of all our far Western country. It would be the means of civilizing the wild Indians; of easily governing the Mormons; be a binding chain to strengthen and perpetuate the Confederacy of the whole Union; and, in the event of a war with France and England, it would become indispensably necessary for the protection of our Western possessions.

Our Government can easily build it; and it should commence immediately.

Let them select the best route for a good road in Summer and in Winter, where fuel and water can be easily got, sufficient for the use of the road at all seasons in the year. These things are of much more importance to the country than the accommodating of any city or State.

Let the Government pass a law authorizing the enlistment of, say ten thousand, able-bodied men into the service of the United States, (to work, not to fight); pay each man about two hundred dollars per year; clothe and feed them; place a sufficient number in the Iron Mountains, to get out iron for the rails; and, as fast as the road is graded, lay the rails, and run cars, with provisions, iron, &c., for the road.

Let the men be divided into sections of about 100 men each; separate the foreigners, according to their language; let every other section be Americans, and well armed, to keep off the Indians—to enforce discipline and maintain good order along the whole line.

Let the men be enlisted for the term of the completion of the road. And every man who serves out his time, or gets an honorable discharge, give him 160 acres of land for a farm; and if he is prudent, and saves his wages, he will be able to improve and stock his farm, and become an independent good citizen.

Let some competent man, who wishes to immortalize his name, by having it placed among the benefactors of his country, be appointed Commander-in-Chief of the army of the whole line. Let his political sentiments be, *American Greatness*—and let all his officers be of the same school of politics. Let there be one captain and one lieutenant to each company, but no assign. As fast as the road is worked, place the telegraph wires, and let the Commander report to the War Department the weekly progress of the road; honorably mentioning the names of the Captains and Companies who are the most progressive in the work, which will prove an incentive to emulation.

I want to know if the gold in California belongs to Uncle Sam? If it does, let him assert and maintain his right to it. Not by sending an army to stop the boys from digging; that he cannot do; for his troops would desert, and turn diggers also. But I will tell you what can be done: He can pass laws prohibiting the exportation of unstamped gold from the State. He can place revenue officers at the shipping ports, and direct the officers along the Mexican line to enforce the law; and to say to all the rogues from all quarters: Go, boys, get as much gold as you can, bring it to my mint, and I will give you $15 for every ounce of good dust that you bring. The small balance I reserve to build you a good railroad, that you may, when sick or worn down with hard labor, easily and speedily return home, at a very small expense. But if you will not submit to my law, but try to smuggle out your gold, I will surely catch you; and let your name be Jonathan, Patrick, John Bull, Johnny French, or Chinaman, I will confiscate all your gold to the *building of that road*.

When the Washingtonians were marching through our streets, crying, *we want work—we want bread*, our good Mayor replied, "I am very sorry for you; but the law limits me to $300, and I must obey the law, for I regard my oath of office."

But Uncle Sam can give them plenty of work, plenty of bread, plenty of clothes, plenty of money, and a farm of land besides; and at the same time cause the labors to benefit the nation and the world at large, beyond all calculation.

We would have the road built, and always constructed by good, scientific military men, who shall be strictly accountable to the United States Government for all their acts.

Let Congress regulate the speed of the trains, the price of passage, and the rate for freight—both foreign and domestic. And while the foreign merchant is charged a fair and equitable price for his goods, reduce it on the freight of our own people to a rate that will pay all expenses of the road, and gradually liquidate the remaining debt.

How much better for the Government to build and keep the road, than to give a charter to any private person, or company of men, to speculate on the public lands, and enrich themselves with the property of the Commonwealth; while their road would be more liable to disruptions from evil disposed persons, and riotous mobs.

A good substantial road, well conducted by Government officers, would draw much freight from Europe. Merchants would send their goods by it, in preference to going long and dangerous voyages in hot latitudes; while by this way they can go with greater dispatch, and at a less risk and cost.

Say a ship has arrived from England, with a freight of goods for China. The wires take the news of her arrival to their consignee in San Francisco, that in about as many days her freight will be there. He gets a ship ready; the goods are all there within the specified time; she hoists them on board; and is off for China before they could have crossed the isthmus on the other route.

And now, Sir, let us beseech Congress to cease log-rolling, President-making, negro-jangling, and all unnecessary legislation; and go to work like honest men, and give us such a road. For which favor we will always be thankful, and ever pray.

POOR RICHARD.

The Code of Procedure.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Your Albany correspondent, "J. B. S.," does unintentional injustice to the Code, Codification, and the Commissioners. In proof that his remarks are unjust, I offer the following statement of facts.

The Commissioners were required to present their first report within a time too short for the proper digestion of the subject. They had prepared it with a view to consistency of its parts. It was subjected to alterations suggested by the whims, or hastily formed opinions of some of its parts, of the Legislature. It has from time to time been subject to the same influence. The right of the Legislature to alter it before or after adoption cannot be doubted; but such right should have been exercised only after a careful view and comparison of all its parts—one with another. The lawyers keeped obloquy upon it. (Since the time when the craftsmen of Ephesus cried out against Paul, because they thought their craft in danger, has it ever been known that self-interest has failed to arouse men who have considered their interests in danger?) Judges were elected to administer the new system, who had practiced, may, practiced under the old; and can it be wondered that their love for the flesh pots of Egypt blinded them to the advantages of the new land upon which they had entered? Some went further, and prevented the reprehensible spectacle of Judges chosen to administer law—denying that law, and rolling on the Legislature which had created it, and blasphemously lying in the face of the Constitution itself, which had provided for the enactment of the law! Judges chosen the law, and were yet ignorant of some of its provisions. One held that the code, "being in derogation of the common law, should be strictly construed"—in ignorance of, or willful disregard to, the section of the code which provided that that rule of law should not apply to the code.

The Code now in force has labored under the disadvantages of being an entirely new system, and therefore not capable of being understood by intuition, as some lawyers thought it should have been; of being hastily prepared and hastily altered; of having Judges to administer it who preferred the old practice or hated the new, and would not give the latter a fair trial; of the strictures, plausible or shallow, yet powerful, of lawyers; of the formidable hidden opposition of lawyers; yet, in spite of all these disadvantages, it has triumphed, and will triumph. There is no chance of a return to the old practice. Meanwhile, the Code is incomplete—not as to what has been adopted, for that is complete so far as it goes, but in that it does not embrace the whole practice.

In 1849, a complete system of practice in civil cases was presented to the Legislature, and an other to govern criminal procedure. They have never been acted upon! Does the Legislature obey the Constitution?

One unfair means of prejudicing the people against the Code was resorted to, which I must mention. Some Solon would discover in the proposed Codes provisions which he did not like, and would forthwith launch jeremiads upon the people, as victims of the Codifiers. I took occasion once to expose one of these croakers, by showing that the obnoxious provisions were taken from the *Revised Statutes*, then and now the law of this State!

The question resolves itself into this—can and should the laws of this State be systematized and gathered together in compact form—in other words, Codified? That it can be done, is evidenced by the Codes—Theodosian, Justinian, Napoleonic—and the Revised Statutes of this State, which are in the nature of a Code. That it should be done, common sense teaches. Why leave the practitioners to search the Revised Statutes, the rules of Courts, and the decisions of Judges scattered through many books, and subject to unexpected alterations? What would we think of a carpenter who should keep some of his tools at his shop, some at his house, some in various houses upon which he was at work, and some anywhere or nowhere?

B. W.

THE STORM IN HALIFAX—VESSELS WRECKED.—HALIFAX, Jan. 30.—A violent gale of wind, accompanied with snow and rain, raged yesterday. The tide, forced into the harbor by the gale, rose higher than for years past. A great many cellars in Water and Hollis-streets were overflowed and much valuable property destroyed. A few of the vessels at the wharves suffered, one or two small craft were sunk. Many of the wharves also sustained considerable damage. Royal mail steamship *Asia*, which arrived early in the morning from Boston, received slight injury to her boats and did not leave for England until the evening. Before proceeding her upper spars were lowered, and the ship was made all snug to contend with the heavy sea outside. The schooner *Scooter*, belonging to Fortune Bay, Newfoundland, which sailed last week for Boston, with a cargo of herring, was lost in the gale of Friday night at Liverpool—when all on board, consisting of ten persons, perished. It is said that the vessel was knocked to pieces against the wharves in Liverpool harbor—and that portions of her cargo were actually floating about the streets. Four bodies were washed ashore. A new bark, the *Wave*, belonging to S. Freeman, Esq., of Milton, was driven upon the bar, and went to pieces. Crew saved. A bark owned by E. Barss was also lost at the same place. The crew was saved by means of ropes from the shore. The brig *Dilecate*, from the West Indies, is also a total wreck in Liverpool harbor. Other wrecks near Liverpool are spoken of, but particulars have not yet been communicated.

☞ The following story is told in the London papers: The French, having remarked an unusual activity among the *gardens of our Quarantine Fort*, were anxious to know the cause of it, and for that purpose determined to get hold of some Russian sentinel at the outposts. For that purpose many a Zouave offered to furnish the article in question. That very night a wearied Muscovite heard a rustling among the bushes. He cried, "Who goes there?" but the only answer he received was a grunt. Thinks he to himself, "This is some fat pig that has deserted from the enemy. Bless me, if I could only get hold of it, and smuggle it into the fort, so that our officers may not lay hold of it!" With this view, he returns the grunt, the conversations becomes interesting to both parties, and at last the worthy Russian sees the object of his desires approach. He lays down his musket to seize it, but oh! horror, the treacherous beast turns the tables upon him, throws him down, and gags him in no time; then, with a low whistle, he calls five Zouaves to his aid, who carry off his victim to the French camp in triumph.

New Patents Issued.

List of patents issued from the United States Patent-Office for the week ending Jan. 30, 1855—each bearing that date:

I. J. W. Adams, of Sharpstown, Md., for improved implement for boring wells.

Wm. Adamson, of Philadelphia, Pa., for improvement in distilling gas.

Abel H. Bartlett, of Kingsbridge, N. Y., for hot-air furnace.

B. F. Babbitt, of New-York, N. Y., for car ventilator.

John Blackwood, of Franklin County, Ohio, for improvement in seed planters.

John Brown, of Lawn Ridge, Ill., for improvement in seed planters.

Dexter H. Chamberlain and John Harlshorn, of Boston, Mass., for fountain brush.

Alfred Doe, of Concord, N. H., for improvement in ploughs.

James Eaton, of Townsend Harbor, Mass., for improvement in dies for cop-tube machines.

George Fowler, of Northford, Conn., for double-acting force pump.

Hezekiah Griswold, of Hartford, Conn., for improvement in the yoke of oxen.

Jonathan Hibbs, of Tullytown, Pa., for improvement in clover hullers.

Alex. Hall, of Lloydsville, Ohio, for improvement in piano-fortes.

John Hobbs, of Hallowell, Me., for improvement in grain and ground seed sowing machines.

Washburn Hoes and Birdsill Holly, of Saucon Falls, N. Y., for improvement in carriage wheels.

Russell Jennings, of Deep River, Conn., for improvement in augers.

Wm. H. McNamee, of Philadelphia, Penn., for improvement in locking spindle door latches.

Sidney S. Middlebrook, James B. Blakslee, and Chas. F. Blakslee, of Newton, Conn., for improvement in machinery for felting hat-bodies.

John B. Nichols, of Lynn, Mass., for improvement in sewing-machines.

Aaron Palmer, of Brookport, N. Y., for improvement in the construction of the frame of grass harvesters.

Elijah F. Parker, of Proctorsville, Vt., for improvement in lantern frames.

Jesse Reed, of Marshfield, Mass., for improvement in cable stoppers.

Henry Rogers, of Ferrisburg, Vt., for improved force-pump.

David Russell, of Drawersburg, Ind., for improvement in harvester cutters.

Alex. O. H. F. Schorn, of Murfreesboro', Tenn., for improvement in portable fire arms.

Thaddeus Sellock, of Greenwich, Conn., for improvement in methods of working Franklinite ore.

John Shelley, of Brooklyn, N. Y., for improvement in carriage wheels.

Geo. L. Squier, of Chicopee Falls, Mass., for improvement in straw cutters.

Joseph Stockdale, of Ypsilanti, Mich., for improvement in cultivator teeth.

Jonathan G. Trotter, of Newark, N. J., for improvement in the construction of furnaces for zinc white.

Henry G. Tyer and John Heim, of New-Brunswick, N. J., for improvement in processes for making India rubber cloth.

Elisha Watson, of Troy, N. Y., for improvement in cylindrical boilers.

Salem Wilder, of Lynn, Mass., for improvement in waxing thread in sewing machines.

Pinney Yeager, of Milwaukie, Wis., for improvement in sewing machines.

James G. Ewbank, of New-York, N. Y., assignor to Wm. Everdell, Jr., of same place, for improvements in spurs.

Edwin A. Morrison, of Leesburg, Va., assignor to himself and Robert F. Morrison, of Richmond, Va., for improvement in delivering apparatus of grain harvesters.

Geo. A. Measham, of New-York, N. Y., for window sasher.

Reissues.—Cornelius B. Schenckelberg, of Seneca, N. Y., for improvement in gate posts.

Charles Minotti and William M. Smith, of Buffalo, N. Y., for improvement in fulminate locks.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ Female Complaints.—HERNDON, CLARK & CO.'S COD LIVER OIL.—The low fees of HURTON, CLARK & CO., (now deceased by the death of Mr. HURTON, the only person by the name of Hurton ever connected with the firm, the business will be continued by HERNDON, CLARK & CO., surviving partner and sole successor, No. 135, 175 and 311 Bowery,) all connection with the store No. 10 Astor House, being discontinued.

The Genuine Cod Liver Oil will be prepared daily by us as heretofore. Our Mr. Clark went to New-Foundland to superintend its manufacture, and is the only druggist from the United States who ever went there for that purpose, and as he continues his supervision of this branch of our business we can warrant it pure, and as extreme depends upon its purity, be particular to see that the name HERNDON, CLARK & CO., is over the cork of each bottle, or without it, it is not genuine.

The business will be conducted the same as heretofore, as Mr. Hopkins, although his name has not been prominent in the firm, has been in the establishment 27 years and a member of the firm over 12 years, and has the personal supervision of the business, and no exertion will be spared to secure the satisfaction and interest of our customers.

All the receipts of W. L. Hopkins, Hopkins & Aspinwall, Hopkins & Co., and Hopkins, Clark & Co., are in our possession, and will be prepared under Mr. Hopkins's supervision the same as for 30 years past, and their genuineness and quality guaranteed by HERNDON, CLARK & CO.,

Chemists & Druggists, No. 135, 175 & 311 Broadway.

☞ Fruit and Ornamental Trees and Plants.—Including everything necessary to the Garden, Greenhouse, Nursery and Orchard, with all the recent introductions, at very low rates. Descriptive price Catalogues gratis. Carriage paid to New-York. Ornamental and other planting done in any part of the country. Address B. M. WATSON Old Colony Nurseries, Plymouth, Mass.

☞ Dr. James McClintock's Cold and Cough Mixture.—This is the best and cheapest remedy ever discovered for Colds, Coughs, Sore Throats, Hoarseness, pain in the chest, &c. For Croup it is a sure preventive. Price, 25 cents. Sold by all Druggists, and by A. CUSHMAN & CO., No. 138 Fulton-st.

☞ Rev. W. H. Milburn—Chaplain of the House of Representatives, will deliver a Lecture at the Mulberry-st. M. E. Church, near Bleecker-st., on FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 9, at 8 o'clock. Subject—*Ride, Axe and Saddle-Bags, Sketches of Western Life.* Tickets 25 cents. To be had at the door, or at the office of this paper.

☞ Balm of Thousand Flowers—For beautifying the Complexion and eradicating all TAN, PIMPLES and FRECKLES from the face.

FETRIDGE & CO., Boston.

C. H. RING, Broadway, Agent.

BROADWAY BOWER, Feb. 2, 1855.

☞ Democratic Whig Ward Meeting.—On motion of EDWARD MUNDELLE, of the 22d Ward, it was unanimously resolved, That the benefit of the labors of the Committee of nominal assignees of the Whigs to serve in the State Senate, from the City of New-York in the United States Senate, is to accrue with the Democrats of this Ward, and that we hold it as an evidence of the fidelity of the Whig party to a due regard to the interest of fidelity to Freedom, Humanity and Justice.

It was also

Resolved, That the above Resolution be published in the Daily New-York Times, Commercial Advertiser, and Albany Evening Journal.

JAMES H. WELSH, Chairman.

PIERS C. VAN WYCK, THOMAS C. ACKERS, } Vice Chairmen.

W. E. BROWER, JAMES CRAWFORD, } Secretaries.

☞ New-York Mechanical Association for the Encouragement of Young Men.—Notice is hereby given to the members of the Association, that the Library will be opened, in the room of Immanity, on the 1st instant, for the reception of books, and that the entire collection will be ready for the public on the 15th instant. Any member who may wish to have the use of great products, irrespective of party, to call in the office, No. 346 Broadway, and sign the following declaration, avowing that you will support and protect your own interests.

We, the undersigned, pledge ourselves, our best determination to support the Labor of the people of this country, in lieu of the interests of home. We further pledge ourselves to support the interests of those who have shown a disposition to support the Mechanic and Laborer. We further pledge ourselves that we will never vote for any person, by all means in our power, to all measures that may be made to work in the interests of the American people. DANIEL WALFORD, President.

J. THOMAS SMITH, Secretary.

☞ The Masonic Commercial Group of Yellow Fever Remedies.—Cure of Fever and Ague, Dysentery, Diarrhœa, Fever and Ague, Bilious Fever, Remittent Fever, Yellow Fever, Typhus Fever, Typhoid Fever, Scarlet Fever, Fever and Ague, Fever and Ague, Fever and Ague

Big Wells All Right!

To the Editors of The New-York Daily Times:

After a recent examination of every proper opportunity, we have from the Report of Mr. Gaffney, which appeared in Patent Office Gazette, conclude that the wells of No. 140 West Seventeenth-street are sunking, and the force of hydraulic and his fellow-citizens of the vicinity impelled by the steam engine for the purpose aforesaid. The Committee and Police Captain of the District, together with Insurance Inspectors, have been called in by the undersigned, and after careful examination, can find no ground or reason for such a complaint. The walls of the building are substantial, the engine entirely new, under proper supervision, and, moreover, under three-horse power! It may be that the maker of this terrible machine did not understand his business, and that Mr. Gaffney's scientific capacity and practicability have enabled him to detect imperfections and destructive propensities of machinery, quite invisible to less paying geniuses. I cannot, however, find his name in any list of engineering authorities on either side of the Atlantic! Perhaps his late trade was Mayor's "Black Book" his first step on the road to fame—as rather to that notoriety which is the infirmity of little minds! By giving the above a place in your excellent journal, you will do an act of simple justice, and confer a favor on

LOUIS D'HOMERGUE.

No. 140 West Seventeenth-street.

MARKET REPORTS.

Manhattan.....Corrected Reported for the N. Y. Daily Times.

MONDAY, Feb. 5—6 P. M.

ASHES—Remain inactive and unchanged in price—sales having been made since our last of only about 40 bbls., chiefly Pots at $6 25@6 75; with some Pearls at $7 @ 100 lbs.

BEEFWAX—There were 1,200 lbs. American Yellow taken at 27c. ⅌ lb.

CANDLES—The demand is moderate, but prices are sustained, the stock not being very extensive.

COCOA—A sale of 100 bags St. Domingo was reported, to-day, on private terms.

COFFEE—The inquiry is fair at previous figures.—Rio being held very firmly. The day's sales embrace 200 pkgs. Java at 12½c. alloz., 60 bags Laguayra at 10½c. alloz., 1,500 Rio at 9½@10½c. alloz., other rate for a very ordinary lot, and 120 St. Domingo at 9½c. ⅌ lb.

COTTON—There is said to be less activity in the market, but this is considered mainly by the operations of the stock, here, which enables factors to adhere to the improved rates given in our last, which we report:

New-York CLASSIFICATION.

	Upland.	Florida.	Mobile.	New-Orleans and Texas.
Ordinary	7½	7½	8	8
Middling	8½	8½	9½	9½
Middling Fair	9½	9½	10½	10½
Fair	10	10	11	11½

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western brands are generally depressed and inactive, the common qualities suffering most in their reports, as sales are not much noticed at present. The Brandywine and fancy Ohio brands are sustained, chiefly by the enterprise and local trade at quotations. The day's sales do not exceed 1,400 bbls. We quote:

Ordinary State	$ 12½	$ 25
Straight State	5 25	5 37½
Favorite State	5 37½	5 50
Mixed Western	5 50	5 62½
Common to Good Indiana and Michigan	5 75	6 00
Fancy Michigan	6 00	6 12½
Common to Good Ohio	5 50	5 62½
Fancy Ohio	5 62½	5 75
Extra Ohio	5 87½	6 00
Fancy Indiana and Michigan	5 62½	5 75
Fancy Genesee	5 25	5 37½
Extra Genesee	5 50	5 62½

Canadian is inactive and drooping. 200 bbls. superfine, free, were obtained at $5 25@5 75 ⅌ bbl. Southern is pretty brisk, the home and export demand being fair at full prices. The day's sales add up 1,200 bbls. at $6 87½@7 25 for mixed to favorite, and $7 37½@10 37½ for fancy and extra ⅌ bbl. Buckwheat Flour, Rye Flour and Corn Meal are essentially unaltered.

GRAIN—Wheat is rather more freely offered, but is in very limited request and in slightly tending downward tendency of Southern Red Were purchased by a city miller at old rates, but other parcels somewhat heard of nothing new. Rye is abundant enough for the season, but distillers being well supplied, the article is to-day slack demand at $1 25 ⅌ bush. Barley has not varied. State and Western Oats are saleable and firm at 61@65c. per bush. Corn is brisk and buoyant, being rather sparingly offered, while it is pretty actively sought after, in part by shippers. The day's sales reach 40,000 bushels at 60c.@$1 for Southern white and yellow; 67c. for some Jersey yellow, all here; and 95c. for prime sound yellow, in Baltimore, freight to Liverpool 9d. per bushel.

HAY—No important change has occurred in this line. The sales are light at Saturday's prices.

HOPS—Are in fair supply and are requiring at 30c.@32c. per lb.

IRON—There is a very dull and heavy feeling perceptible in the market. No important movements have transpired since our last. Prices are nominally the same.

LATHS—Eastern are scarce and worth, in small parcels, from 87½ cents to 1 dollar ⅌ thousand.

LEAD—The inquiry has been lighting for foreign; but no considerable transactions have resulted thereon.

MAPLE—We are still without a supply. No sales. Rockland is quoted as being worth $1 for common, and $1 12½ for Lump, ⅌ bbl.

MOLASSES—New-Orleans was purchased to-day to the extent of 100 bbls. at 32c. ⅌ gallon, indicating a steady market. Nothing new in other kinds.

NAVAL STORES—Crude Turpentine is held with increased firmness, but is not in much request. A fair business in other Spirits Turpentine, the sales of which amount to 250 bbls. in lots, at 46c.@48c., cash, ⅌ gallon. Tar is less stenified, and is selling at $2 75@$3 ⅌ bbl. Rosin have not varied much. The demand especially for shipment, is gradually improving. This day's sales include 750 bbls. common at $1 70 ⅌ bbl. of 310 lbs., delivered, and 500 bbls. No. 2 at $1 62½.

OILS—Whale and Sperm are unchanged. There is a little more demand for Red Oil, which is selling at 60c. ⅌ gallon. Olive is rather quiet, yet steady. 100 flasks were procured at $2 37½ cash. Linseed is very dull. Whale parcels are scarcely noticed, and cannot be sold for more than, if for as much as, 77c. ⅌ gallon. Spermaceti is in great need of stock. The jobbing trade is limited, from store, at 80c.@81c. ⅌ gallon. Lard Oil is in moderate request at 65c.@70c., as to quality, ⅌ gallon.

PROVISIONS—Pork is not very brisk, but previous prices are still current. The day's business includes 700 bbls. at $15 50 for old Mess; $14@$14 25 for new Mess; $13@$13 25 for new Prime; $14 25@$14 75 for Western Prime Mess; and $16@$16 50 for City Prime. Beef, Dressed Hogs command 7c.@7½c. ⅌ lb. Cut Meats are moderately active and steady, with sales of 200 pieces at 7½c. for Hams, and 6½c.@6c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb. The sales of Bacon embrace 100 hogsheads Middles at 6½c. ⅌ lb. Lard is in fair request and firm in price.—the day's sales contemplating of 400 bbls. and tcs. good to prime, at 9½c.@10c., and 500 kegs prime, nearly at 10½c. ⅌ lb. Beef is more active, but in rather lower.—the sales including 450 bbls. at $6 25@7 for Country Prime; $8 50@$11 for Country Mess; $11@$13 for repacked Western; $14@$15 for repacked Chicago, &c.; and $15 50@$16 for extra do. ⅌ bbl. Beef on wheels, there have been sales made of 150 tcs. Prime Mess Beef at $16@$17 75 ⅌ tierce; and 200 bbls. Beef Hams at $24@$27 ⅌ bbl.—following a firming market for these. Butter and Cheese are saleable and between in price.

RICE—The market exhibits no essentially new feature. The sales comprise 350 tcs. fair (?) choice at 6½@6¾c. ⅌ lb.

SEEDS—Clover is in some request at 10½@11c. ⅌ lb., but is held for more money. Flax is generous and nominal. The last sale of Calcutta Linseed was effected at $2 ⅌ bushel. Rough Timothy is selling slowly at prices equivalent to $2@$2 ⅌ bushel.

SUGAR—There were 300 hhds. Castile purchased at 8½c.@11c. ⅌ lb.

SUGARS—Are rather quiet but rule firm. Sales were made to-day of 120 hhds. New-Orleans at 4½c.@5½c. ⅌ lb.—the quotations which should have appeared in our last; and (by auction) 300 hhds. New-Orleans at $4 50@$5 31½ ⅌ 100 lbs.

TALLOW—Prime is in ample stock and is very dull at 11½c.@12c. ⅌ lb.

WHISKY—Continues to improve both in demand and value. The day's sales amount to 450 bbls. Ohio and Prison at 32c. alloz., cash, and short credit, ⅌ gallon.

WOOL—The inquiry has been trifling for foreign; but no considerable transactions have resulted thereon.

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CITY BANK STATEMENTS.

Published in the Daily Tribune by Order of the State Superintendent of the Bureau Department.

STATEMENT OF THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts $1,078,000 00
Average amount of Specie 1,148,315 00
Average amount of Circulation 270,000 00
Average amount of Deposits 1,000,000 00
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, C. A. MEIGS, Cashier of the AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, do depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
C. A. MEIGS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE ATLANTIC BANK, OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... 72,[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... 84,[illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEO. D. ARTHUR, Cashier of the ATLANTIC BANK, of the City of New-York, being duly sworn, do depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEORGE D. ARTHUR, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF AMERICA—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,494,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,819,[illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JAS. PUNNETT, Cashier of the BANK OF AMERICA, being duly sworn, do depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. PUNNETT, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF COMMERCE IN NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,470,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... 1,[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,[illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBERT B. VAN ZANDT, Cashier of the BANK OF COMMERCE in New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. B. VAN ZANDT, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier of the BANK OF THE COMMONWEALTH, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEORGE ELLIS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,121,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... 372,[illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... 2,[illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ANTHONY P. HALLET, Cashier of the BANK OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
A. P. HALLET, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF NORTH AMERICA—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ISAAC BETHUNE, Cashier of the BANK OF NORTH AMERICA, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
I. BETHUNE, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBERT H. LOWRY, Cashier of the BANK OF THE REPUBLIC, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. H. LOWRY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $3,112,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBERT H. WELLS, Cashier of the BANK OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. H. WELLS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE SECOND NATIONAL BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, A. G. GRAHAM, Cashier of the SECOND NATIONAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
A. G. GRAHAM, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BOWERY BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $954,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, NATHANIEL BOWNE, Cashier of the BOWERY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
N. G. BRADFORD, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BROADWAY BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JOHN L. EVERITT, Cashier of the BROADWAY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
MATHIAS BANTA, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BULL'S HEAD BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $177,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, RICHARD WILLIAMSON, President of the BULL'S HEAD BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. WILLIAMSON, President.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, BENJAMIN LEWIS, Jr., Cashier of the BUTCHERS' AND DROVERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
B. LEWIS, Jr., Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GIL. S. TAYLOR, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHATHAM BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, O. H. SCHEIBNER, Cashier of the CHATHAM BANK, being duly affirmed, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
O. H. SCHEIBNER, Cashier.
Affirmed before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
J. ROSS P. POSTLEY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CHEMICAL BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,[illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, J. G. JONES, President of the CHEMICAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. G. JONES, President.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JAMES M. SWEENEY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITIZENS' BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, S. B. COMSTOCK, Cashier of the CITIZENS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
S. B. COMSTOCK, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
Geo. G. TAYLOR, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CITY BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,[illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, O. H. SCHEIBNER, Cashier of the CITY BANK, being duly affirmed, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
O. H. SCHEIBNER, Cashier.
Affirmed before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE COMMERCE BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, W. T. ROOKER, Cashier of the COMMERCE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. T. ROOKER, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE CORN EXCHANGE BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,201,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... 1,[illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, W. H. MAYNARD, Cashier of the CORN EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. H. MAYNARD, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
SMITH H. LAIR, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE EAST RIVER BANK, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WILLIAM B. BALLOU, Cashier of the EAST RIVER BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. B. BALLOU, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
THOMAS MACFARLAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE FULTON BANK, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WILLIAM J. LANE, Cashier of the FULTON BANK, in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. J. LANE, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
EDWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE GREENWICH BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier of the GREENWICH BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WILLIAM HAWES, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JAMES HARRISON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE GROCERS' BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEO. A. CLARK, Assistant Cashier of the GROCERS' BANK in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
GEO. A. CLARK, Assistant Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JOHN D. ERROL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOMAS L. TAYLOR, Cashier of the HANOVER BANK, New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
T. THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE ISLAND CITY BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WM. STEBBINS, Cashier of the ISLAND CITY BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
WM. STEBBINS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
J. L. HALSEY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE IRVING BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, D. Y. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier of the IRVING BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
D. Y. H. BERTHOLF, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JNO. HEGEMAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, THOMAS S. ACLY, Cashier of the LEATHER MANUFACTURERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
T. S. ACLY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MANHATTAN COMPANY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $4,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JAMES M. MORRISON, Cashier of the MANHATTAN COMPANY of the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. M. MORRISON, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARINE BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $633,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, J. C. BEACH, Cashier of the MARINE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
J. C. BEACH, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
WILLIAM DODGE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MARKET BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,072,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBT. S. OAKLEY, Cashier of the MARKET BANK, being duly affirmed, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. S. OAKLEY, Cashier.
Affirmed before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
EDWIN F. CORBY, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $3,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ALFRED S. FRASER, Cashier of the SEVENTH WARD BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
A. S. FRASER, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE SHOE AND LEATHER BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, W. A. KINNAN, Cashier of the SHOE AND LEATHER BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
W. A. KINNAN, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
SAMUEL BELL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE TRADESMEN'S BANK OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JOHN J. STEPHENS, Cashier of the MECHANICS' BANKING ASSOCIATION, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
JOHN J. STEPHENS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. D. BROWN, Cashier of the MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
E. D. BROWN, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JOHN M. DEVOE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MERCANTILE BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,151,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, N. B. BLAKE, Cashier of the MERCANTILE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
N. B. BLAKE, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
C. S. WESMILLER, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MERCHANTS' BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, JOHN J. PALMER, President of the MERCHANTS' BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
JOHN J. PALMER, President.
Sworn before me this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BANK, IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,410,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, E. F. DARBY, Cashier of the MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BANK, in the City of New-York, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
E. F. DARBY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
THOMAS HOGEMAN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE METROPOLITAN BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $4,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, HENRY MEIGS, Jr., Cashier of the METROPOLITAN BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
H. MEIGS, Jr., Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE NASSAU BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $811,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, R. A. TOOKER, Cashier of the NASSAU BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. A. TOOKER, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
J. VAN NAMEE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, R. T. HOOGLAND, Cashier of the NATIONAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. T. HOOGLAND, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
GILBERT S. NIXON, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE BANK OF THE NEW-YORK DRY DOCK COMPANY—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, J. WARDRICK T. HAYES, Cashier of the NEW-YORK DRY DOCK COMPANY, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
J. W. T. HAYES, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JOHN ANDERSON, Jr., Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE NEW-YORK EXCHANGE BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $174,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, D. R. MALLETT, Cashier of the NEW-YORK EXCHANGE BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
D. R. MALLETT, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JOHN PHILLIPS, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE NORTH RIVER BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, A. B. HAYS, Cashier of the NORTH RIVER BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
A. B. HAYS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
EDWARD E. HOGEN, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE OCEAN BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $1,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEORGE S. COE, Cashier of the OCEAN BANK, of the City of New-York, being duly affirmed, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
GEO. S. COE, Cashier.
Affirmed before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JOHN PHILLIPS, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE ORIENTAL BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, WM. HALL, Cashier of the ORIENTAL BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
WM. HALL, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
SAMUEL BREGE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE PACIFIC BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, J. J. CAMPBELL, Jr., Cashier of the PACIFIC BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct.
J. J. CAMPBELL, Jr., Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
WM. LEE, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, GEORGE DE ANGELIS, Cashier of the PEOPLE'S BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
G. DE ANGELIS, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
WM. E. BELL, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE PHENIX BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $2,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, P. M. BRYSON, Cashier of the PHENIX BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
P. M. BRYSON, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
THOMAS S. SOMMERS, Commissioner of Deeds.

STATEMENT OF THE ST. NICHOLAS BANK—As required by Chapter 326, Laws of 1855, for the week ending Saturday, the 31 day of February, 1856:
Average amount of Loans and Discounts ..... $952,[illegible]
Average amount of Specie ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Circulation ..... [illegible]
Average amount of Deposits ..... [illegible]
City and County of New-York, ss.—I, ROBT. S. OAKLEY, Cashier of the ST. NICHOLAS BANK, being duly sworn, depose and say that the above statement is correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
R. S. OAKLEY, Cashier.
Sworn before me, this 5th day of February, 1856.
JAS. HILLYER, Commissioner of Deeds.

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New-York Daily Times

GENERAL NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Minister Wilson—Engagement from Buenos Ayres.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

Hon. HENRY WILSON, the new Senator from Massachusetts, is expected to leave for Washington to-morrow.

A letter received in this city, dated Buenos Ayres, Dec. 2, states that Commissioners from President URQUIZA have reached that place to negotiate a peace which is to remain in force during the Presidential term—a period of six years.

The Illinois Legislature.

CHICAGO, Ill., Monday, Feb. 5.

A resolution reprobating the course of Senators DOUGLAS and SHIELDS, for advocating the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, passed the House to-day by a vote of Ayes 37, Nays 27.

Nebraska Legislature.

CHICAGO, Monday, Feb. 5.

We are in receipt of Omaha City dates to the 17th ultimo. The Legislature of Nebraska assembled on the 16th and received the Message of acting Governor DUNBIGGS. Both Houses were permanently organized on the 17th by the choice of officers supposed to be favorable to the Administration. The course of the Governor would probably be sustained.

Railroad Communication Stopped—Vote on the Compromise Measures.

CHICAGO, Ill., Saturday, Feb. 5.

The heavy wind and intense cold have again stopped up all railroad communication with this city, excepting that of the Michigan Southern and Central. Last night on the Rock Island Road five locomotives with one train were frozen up, and one hundred and fifty passengers were forced to pass the night in consequence, in the cars on the prairie. No communication has been had with St. Louis.

In the House of Representatives yesterday, a resolution, embodying the Compromise Measures of 1850, was lost by a vote of—Ayes, 19, Nays, 50.

Death of the Know-Nothing Nominee for Governor in New-Hampshire.

CONCORD, N. H., Monday, Feb. 5.

Rev. JOHN MORRIS, pastor of the Universalist Society of this city, and the late nominee of the Know-Nothings for Governor, to which office he was ineligible, not having resided in the State a certain length of time, dropped dead in the street this morning, probably from affection of the heart.

Mine Robbery—The Fire at Gainesville, (Ala.,) &c.

DETROIT, (E. C.) Monday, Feb. 5.

New-Orleans papers of Thursday have been received here.

Miss JULIA DEAN, new Mrs. HAYNE, had arrived at New-Orleans from Texas, but does not reappear the stage.

Nineteen hundred bales of cotton were destroyed by the late fire at Gainesville, Ala.

Farewell Performances of Grisi and Mario.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

It has been fixed by Mr. HACKETT that the farewell performances of GRISI and MARIO, in America, will consist of three select operas only and one grand concert, to be given at New-York between Tuesday of next week and the Monday following. They sail on the Wednesday following by the Atlantic for Liverpool.

Arrival of the Southern Mail, &c.

BALTIMORE, Monday, Feb. 5.

The Southern mail, as late as due, has arrived with New-Orleans papers.

Rio Grande papers to the 20th ult. have also been received. The *American Flag* says that requisitions upon all the States of Mexico. The *Flag* does not consider them reliable however.

The hulk Sampson, bound to Philadelphia, has returned to New-Orleans in a leaking condition.

The Bigbee bridge, on the South Carolina railroad, was destroyed by fire on Thursday last.

A Negro Minstrel in Trouble.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

FRANK LAWS, the tambourine player of Perham's Ethiopian Opera Troupe, was before the Police Court to-day, on a charge of bigamy. He married his first wife in Philadelphia, and she made her appearance here quite unexpectedly on Saturday. His second wife he married in this city on Tuesday last. FRYER was held to bail in $1,000 to appear and answer the complaint.

Great India Rubber Case of Day vs. Goodyear.

PROVIDENCE, Monday, Feb. 5.

The trial in the great India rubber case of Day vs. the Goodyear Rubber Associates, after proceeding two weeks, was to-day temporarily suspended in consequence of the sickness of a juror.

Acquittal of Booth and Rycraft.

CHICAGO, Monday, Feb. 5.

The Supreme Court of Wisconsin has acquitted BOOTH and RYCRAFT, on their trial for aiding the escape of a fugitive slave, on the ground of the illegality of the indictments against them.

Letter from Havana.

NEW-ORLEANS, Saturday, Feb. 3.

The steamship *Cahawba*, arrived at this port to-day from Havana the 1st inst. Her news is unimportant.

Railroad Meeting.

PROVIDENCE, Monday, Feb. 5.

The annual meeting of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company was held to-day. The meeting was very full, and a long and acrimonious debate was held. The ticket favorable to Mr. FARNUM was elected by a large majority.

Destruction of a Railroad Bridge.

LEWISTOWN, Pa., Monday, Dec. 5.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Bridge over the Juniata was destroyed by fire on Saturday night. Loss $10,000. The work of an incendiary. Passenger and freight cars upon the ice.

Fire at Oswego.

OSWEGO, Monday, Feb. 5.

A fire occurred in this city last evening, destroying the buildings on the corner of Westbridge and Water-streets, occupied by Messrs. HARRIS & SON, who had two clothing stores, and S. T. HUNT, boot and shoe store. HARRIS & SON lost their entire stock, on which they had an insurance in the Etna Company for $2,000. The buildings were uninsured.

Sailing of the Sarah Sands.

PORTLAND, Monday, Feb. 5.

The *Sarah Sands* sails for Liverpool at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Weather Reports.

MONTREAL, Monday, Feb. 5.

The weather here is very cold and clear. Thermometer 22 degrees below zero.

QUEBEC, Monday, Feb. 5.

Thermometer this morning 23 degrees below zero in the lower town, and 32 degrees below in the upper town. Wind N. E. Weather clear.

CONNEMARA, Monday, Feb. 5.

The weather is fine and clear, with thermometer at 32 degrees below zero. There is now good crossing on the ice to Pressport.

CALAIS, Me., Monday, Feb. 5—A. M.

Weather cloudy. Thermometer 10° below zero. River closed with ice.

BANGOR, Me., Monday, Feb. 5.

Weather very cold; snowing a little. Thermometer 12° below zero.

PORTLAND, Monday, Feb. 5—1 P. M.

Navigation is still suspended. The weather is already just cold, with every appearance of snow.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

The weather here to-day has been clear and quite cold. The thermometer stood this morning at two degrees above zero.

PORTLAND, Monday, Feb. 5.

Wind from the North, with snow. Thermometer 5° below.

BOSTON, Monday, Feb. 5.

We have a slight snow storm, with the thermometer 15° above zero.

HALIFAX, Monday, Feb. 5.

Thermometer 15° above zero. Wind S. E. Weather clear.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Monday, Feb. 5.

Thermometer 20° above zero. We had a slight snow storm last night.

STEINFIELD, Monday, Feb. 5.

About half an inch of snow fell this morning. Weather now pleasant. Thermometer 10° above zero.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Feb. 5—1 P. M.

We had a slight fall of snow here this morning, but the weather is clear now.

BALTIMORE, Md., Monday, Feb. 5.

A very severe morning. Wind east.

NEW-YORK CITY.

The Courts.

Yesterday being the first day of the new term, nothing of moment was done at the Courts. The Juries for this term were empanneled. Nearly all the cases called were set down for some future day. Calling over the calendars occupied most of the morning.

Owing to the sickness of Judge EDWARDS, some change has been made in the division of the duties of the several Judges of the Supreme Court. MITCHELL, MORRIS and CLERKE, J. J., will hold the General Term, and ROOSEVELT, J., the Circuit. On and after Tuesday, February 6, all the Judges will attend at Chambers at 9 A. M.

SUPERIOR COURT.—OAKLEY, C. J., and DUER and SLOSSON, J. J., will hold the General Term. CAMPBELL and HOFFMAN, J. J., Trial Terms, and BOSWORTH, J., Special Terms.

The Street-Cleaning Machines.

We have now flattering prospects that under the new regime of Mayor WOOD, our streets, which have so long been in such a filthy and disgraceful condition, and in regard to which New-York has hitherto complained in vain, will now assume an aspect of cleanliness. The new street-cleaning machines are now being shipped from Philadelphia to this port, and will be put in use as soon after arrival as the State of the thoroughfares will permit. It is a matter of impossibility at present, owing to the frozen state of the filth which meets the gaze in every avenue, to put this new invention into practical operation; it will, however, have a fair trial at first in the Second Ward, as soon as the condition of the streets and the weather will afford an opportunity, and if found to answer the purpose for which it is intended, it will immediately be brought into requisition in every part of the City. The Mayor—who has for his motto, that "there is no such word as fail"—appears determined to show the people that our City shall be better governed as far as its executive branches are concerned.

The National Race-Course Sold.

The NATIONAL Race-Course at Newtown was sold by the sheriff of Queens County, at the village of Jamaica, last week, to satisfy a mortgage of $27,500. It was bid off by Mr. OPDYKE, for parties in Wall-street. The friends of Mr. BOYCE bid $27,100, and then closed, finding the other parties determined to purchase. It is believed the sale can be set aside, for which an effort is now being made, and if unsuccessful the track will be leased for five years to enterprising parties in this City. An agent is now in this City, making arrangements to bring on some of the best Southern horses to the opening races on this Course, on the first of June.

New-York and Brooklyn Foreign Missionary Society.

The Monthly Prayer Meeting of the New-York and Brooklyn Foreign Missionary Society was held at the Committee Rooms of the Tract Society House, No. 150 Nassau-street, yesterday afternoon. A number of interesting letters from the various Asiatic Missionary Stations were read, all of which gave very flattering accounts of the prospects of the Missionary cause. From the Armenian stations, the news was very encouraging, representing Mahometanism on the wane, and as likely to be subverted by Christianity.

The death of Mr. EVERETT, of the Armenian Mission at Constantinople, was announced.

Rev. GEORGE W. WOOD, Secretary of the Society, gave an account of the doings of the religious societies in Montreal, Canada, the anniversaries of which he attended a few weeks since. He expressed himself much pleased with the efforts there being made for the spread of the Gospel.

Stealing Silk.

Two German Jews, named Charles Rehfeld and Charles Gershel, were arrested upon a charge of stealing two pieces of black silk valued at $131, from the Importing House of Henry E. Leyrain, No. 128 Broadway. It seems the parties went into the store, and while one was priging goods the other secreted the silks under his overcoat. The prisoners were brought before Judge Connolly at the Tombs, and His Honor committed them for trial.

The Mayor's Black Book.

The number of complaints recorded yesterday on the Mayor's register of offences against law and order was not startling, taking into consideration that Sunday has intervened since our last report:

C. Lockwood, No. 25 Fulton-street, complains that the ash carts have failed to remove the ashes in front of No. 25.

T. Wilson, No. 638 Greenwich-street, that the pump at the corner of Grove and Bedford-streets is a nuisance, as the handle projects over the sidewalk so far that it is dangerous and inconvenient.

C. M. Silverman, No. 104 St. Mark's-place, that the stables in the vacant lots fronting St. Mark's-place are a great nuisance, and that the neighbors suffer much annoyance from the stench and noise thereof.

R. Russell, No. 142 Cedar-street, that Thomas Andrews & Co. constantly obstruct the sidewalk in front of their store, by blocking it up with goods, to the great inconvenience of pedestrians.

Wm. H. Peyton, No. 214 Bowery—That Z. James, No. 216 Bowery is constantly in the habit of blocking up the street and sidewalk with old casks, boxes, wagons and all sort of imaginable trash, to the great inconvenience of travel.

Wm. Oliver, No. 103 East Twenty-second-street—That the coal-hole in front of said house has no covering on it, rendering it very dangerous.

That the lot on the northwest corner of Twenty-second-street and Seventh-avenue is not fenced in, and that all manner of nuisances are there committed.

Margaret Hagan—That Charles Doscher, corner of Sixth-avenue and Twentieth-street, keeps his liquor store open on Sunday and sells liquor, as complainant saw several persons come out of the house with liquor.

That the New-York and Harlem Railroad Company are in the habit of shoveling the snow and ice off their track between Elizabeth-street and the Bowery, in Broome-street, rendering the thoroughfare impassable.

By same—That the same Company has not complied with the ordinance of the Common Council by laying a grooved rail in Broome-street.

That the sidewalk from the corner of Sixth-avenue to Fourth-street is raised too high, causing water to overflow and injure the property of householders very much.

That Catharine-street, from Oak to South-streets, is in a dangerous condition.

VERDANCY VICTIMIZED.

Lewis Hornihor, Canada, paid $42 for a worthless watch at No. 106 Broadway. The shark "forked over."

Jeremiah McConnell bought a worthless watch of Malbury Farrington, No. 106 Broadway, for which he paid $60.

Emild Bastheiere, a stranger from the West Indies, bought a worthless watch from H. A. Perry, No. 387 Broadway, for $60.

Wm. Kennedy, of Philadelphia, bought a brass watch from —— Tracy, No. 144 Broadway, for which he paid $12. Other instances administered on tenter in the shirt, which had the desired effect.

John G. Coulkins, that lottery tickets are sold in the back room of No. 174 Broadway, in violation of law.

Henry Beeman, No. 186 Williams-street, that he bought liquor of —— Kelly, No. 28 Ridge-street, between Brown and Delancy-streets, on Sunday last, between 4 and 6 P.M.

Ann Maher complains that her husband treats her cruelly and threatens to turn herself and infants into the street.

☞ RALPH WALDO EMERSON lectures at the Tabernacle this evening, before the New-York Anti-Slavery Society.

Sunday Liquor Selling.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

In your article headed "Sunday Liquor Traffic, &c.," you say that "France's hotel was closed the whole of yesterday, and hence was the amount of money in cash so applied for it. So great was the custom at the bar, that an extra number of waiters was busily engaged the whole day, and to a late hour of the night. The proprietor of this hotel, we understand, has expressed his determination to disregard this law, and to take issue with such as may attempt, to enforce it." But from your statement being true in relation to there being "an extra number of waiters engaged in the bar," there was, on the contrary, one less than usual, as there is on every Sunday, as one is always off duty on that day. It is also untrue that "liquor was dispensed of freely to such as applied for it," as the bar-tenders had orders to sell only in accordance with the law. As to your assertion that "the proprietor of this hotel, we understand, has expressed his determination to disregard this law, and to take issue with such as may attempt to enforce it," you should have had confidence in the veracity of your informant prior to publishing so serious a charge, which charge I hereby most respectfully deny. The only fact related in your article was that French's Hotel was open on that day, which is no violation of law, as the door of the age has not yet shut out the light of Heaven from the domicil of the citizen.

B. FRENCH,
Proprietor of French's Hotel.

FEBRUARY 5, 1858.

United States Courts.

Before Judge Betts.

ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL—INTERPLEADER.

An interesting matter is now on hearing in these Courts before Judge Betts, in equity. Stories out of the following facts. Some years since a Society was incorporated in this City, under the title of the Free Church of St. George the Martyr, according to the forms of the Episcopal Church. The wants of the immense number of British emigrants which arrive in this port from year to year, led to the plan of establishing a hospital for them, to which should be attached an Episcopal Chapel, and a grant was obtained from the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New-York, of a piece of ground on the Four Fifties, Fifteenth-street, to St. George's Church, upon condition that within a certain time a hospital should be erected upon it for the aid of British emigrants. This time was subsequently extended until May 1856; but the Free Church of St. George, finding themselves unable to erect the building within the time, made arrangements with St. Luke's Hospital, another corporation in the City, for a union of effort, and the grant of land was transferred to St. Luke's Hospital on condition that the hospital should be built and that one-third of it should be for the benefit of St. George's Church, and St. Luke's Hospital accordingly commenced the building.

Before the transfer Mr. Bunch, then British Vice-Consul in this port, had proceeded to England for the purpose of raising contributions in aid of the object of assisting British emigrants here, and a large fund was collected. A part of this fund was paid over by Mr. Bunch to St. Luke's Hospital, as intended for and belonging to them, and the remainder, some $10,000, was deposited in the New-York Life Insurance and Trust Company, to the order of Mr. Bunch and Mr. Barclay, to whom the interest has been paid—the principal being now due. A dispute has now arisen as to the disposition of this fund. St. Luke's Hospital claiming it as their intended benefactress of it and claiming it as entitled to it, which is denied by Mr. Barclay and Mr. Bunch, who claim it as depositors; and accordingly the New-York Life and Trust Company decline paying it to either party, but have filed a bill in equity in the District Court to compel an interpleader between the parties.

A suit has also been commenced in the Circuit Court by St. Luke's Hospital against Mr. Barclay and Mr. Bunch, to compel them to pay over the money in accordance with the trust under which St. Luke's claims it was contributed.

Both suits are now on hearing before Judge Betts on motions for injunction. Argument was made by Mr. Bidwell on behalf of St. Luke's Hospital, by Mr. Betts for the Life and Trust Company, and Mr. Edwards for Mr. Barclay and Mr. Bunch.

MARINE COURT.

Before Thomas McCarthy, Justice.

IMPORTANT TO BUTCHERS AND BROTHERS.

George A. Tuffey vs. *John Brogan, Robert Ashley and Daniel Roberts.*—This action was brought to recover the sum of $600, the value of four head of cattle sold to the defendants, under the name and style of Ashley, Roberts & Co., in August last.

The defendants resisted the payment of the claim and deny that any partnership existed between defendants, at least that the purchase of the cattle, for which this suit is brought was an individual transaction of the defendant Brogan.

It appeared in evidence that the defendant Brogan was in the habit of purchasing cattle at the Bull's Head, Washington Drove yard and other places, and paying for the same with checks of Ashley, Roberts & Co., drawn by himself.

On the part of the defense it was alleged that the firm of "Ashley, Roberts & Co.," although composed of the three defendants, were engaged only in selling beef on commission in Washington Market. That "Ashley & Roberts" were also engaged in the poultry and fruit business on their own account, and that the defendant Brogan was engaged on his own account in buying and slaughtering cattle and selling the same as a stall on his own, the other two defendants having no interest therein.

The Court held that the fact of the three defendants composing the firm of Ashley, Roberts & Co., and being engaged in selling meat at Washington Market, and the further fact of Brogan buying cattle and paying for the same with the firm checks, it was presumptive to lead them to the public, who dealt with them, to believe their partnership extended to the purchase of cattle.

Judgment for plaintiff against all defendants for $600 and costs.

[Advertisement.]

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT.—Professor HOLLOWAY had the honor of being presented to the Emperor of Russia in 1853, and obtained permission for the sale of this extraordinary ointment in Russia, in consequence of its great efficacy in all skin diseases. It will cure Saltrheum and Scrofula when all other means fail. Sold by all druggists at 25 cents, 62½ cents, and $1 per pot, and at the manufactories, No. 80 Maiden-lane, New-York, and No. 244 Strand, London.

[Advertisement.]

PICTORIAL BIBLICAL LECTURE.—The last Pictorial Lecture of Rev. J. BANVARD, on the Lands of the Bible, illustrated by a series of new and beautiful paintings, will be given in the Cannon-street Church this evening, at 7½ o'clock. Gentlemen's tickets, 25 cents; Ladies, 12½ cents; Children, 6½ cents.

[Advertisement.]

TERMS REDUCED ONE-HALF.—OLIVER B. GOLDSMITH'S Academy of Penmanship and Book-keeping, No. 562 Broadway, corner of Franklin-street, New-York. Cards containing full particulars may be had at the rooms.

LONG ISLAND.

☞ Only two persons were reported in the city of Brooklyn on Sunday for selling ardent spirits.

NEW-JERSEY.

☞ The Common Council of Jersey City will hold a regular semi-monthly meeting at the Lyceum this evening. The Board of Freeholders of Hudson County will meet to-morrow at 1 o'clock, at the Court-House.

THE MESILLA VALLEY.—The *Diario Oficial*, SANTA ANNA's official journal, makes the following remarks on the report of possession having been taken of the Mesilla Valley by the United States authorities:

"It appears beyond doubt that the United States troops have taken possession, of themselves, and on their own account, of the lands called the Mesilla, comprehended in the late treaty, without waiting for the agents of the Mexican Government to give them the legal possession which was to follow in accordance with the same treaty as all know. Various are the anomalies which are warned from such a proceeding, before long. On the one hand the payment in Mexico of the remaining $3,000,000 of the indemnity is delayed under the pretext of the condition imposed by the United States, that this amount should not be paid until the running of the boundaries that may be fixed by the commissions appointed for the purpose by both Governments. And on the other hand troops are ordered to proceed to take possession of those lands, even without the formalities that it is natural and customary to observe in such cases. Judging from the communications to which we allude, there is not the least doubt that the Government of the United States, having taken the course pointed out, is now bound soon to pay to Mexico the $3,000,000 that were reserved, until the marking out of the boundaries or the taking possession of the said lands, because being, as it is, completely in their possession, the condition has ceased, unless the right of might should be alleged.

The Absconding Cashier.

Colonel MAY, the President of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Indianapolis, which was recently robbed, has received the following letter from the Cashier, who absconded with the money:

"CHEYENNE, O., Jan. 21, 1858.

"DEAR COLONEL: With a nervous hand I undertake to write you a note; I left Indianapolis, I presume, rather unexpectedly to you. I have taken a step which I scarcely had an idea of two hours before I left; a step that makes me heartsick to think of, but one I have not the courage to retrace. I hope you may forget me, and pity my weakness.

"I did not see any way to get out of our financial difficulty, and I had not courage to stand the storm. I send you the keys of the office and safe by express today. You will find the Sentinel currency you gave me for Bryson and Woollery, in the safe.

"I have with me about $7,000, being all in the bank

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"Will be here until Friday; I shall make inquiry of my friends, and if I can do any good, I shall return; if not, I shall go on to parts unknown, as I dare not be taken back in disgrace. I cannot write more.

Yours, &c.,
WM. R. MAY."

MARRIED.

In Brooklyn, on Monday, Feb. 5, at the church of the Saviour, by Rev. Dr. Fox, Lieut. Commander WATTS HART to HARRIET L., daughter of the late Alpheus Wheeler.

On Sunday, Feb. 4, by Rev. F. Bunsen, Clemens Henry BREHM, of New-York, to Miss CATHARINE MAURER, of Buffalo.

At Williamsburg, L. I., on Thursday, Jan. 28, by Rev. John Maley, Mr. FRANCIS TYPTE to Miss MARY A., daughter of Rev. Elias Andrews, deceased.

At New-Brunswick, N. J., on Tuesday, Feb. 1, by Rev. Robert Davidson, D. D., MARTIN A. HOWELL, Jr., of the firm of M. A. Howell & Co., of this City, to ANNA LOUISE, youngest daughter of John W. Scott, Esq., both of the former place.

DIED.

In this City, on Monday, Feb. 5, Mr. JESSE CADY, aged 49 years.

The friends and relatives of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, No. 443 6th-st., on Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 2 o'clock.

In this City, on Sunday, Feb. 4, NEWTON B., infant son of Frances and Eleanor G. Lounsbury, aged 1 year, 3 months and 13 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of his parents, No. 33 West 24th-st., this (Tuesday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock, without further invitation.

In this City, on Monday, Feb. 5, JULIA A., daughter of Lorenzo and Helen M. Travers, aged 10 years and 11 months.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from the residence of her parents, No. 128 West 16th-st., on Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 2 o'clock P. M., without further invitation.

In this City, on Saturday, Feb. 6, at the residence of her son-in-law, Thomas E. Jones, Esq., ANN ELIZA FERRELAND, after a lingering illness, aged 85 years.

Her remains will be taken to Claverack this morning, for interment in the family vault.

In Albany, on Sunday, Feb. 4, [illegible]

In this City, on Monday, Feb. 5, Mrs. LUCY PERRY, aged 76, relict of Samuel Perry, formerly of Newport, R. I.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend her funeral, at 1 o'clock, on Wednesday, 7th inst., from her late residence and that of her son-in-law, Charles Perry, of No. 251 6th st.

☞ Newport papers please copy.

In this City, on Sunday morning, Feb. 6, DAVID DELANCEY, in the 66th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 22 Avenue D, on Tuesday, 9th inst., at 1½ o'clock. His remains will be taken to Cypress Hills, for interment.

☞ Orange County papers please copy.

On Monday, Jan. 25, ELIZABETH, youngest daughter of Lorenzo and Cornelia Ordway, aged 1 year, 2 months and 10 days.

Her remains will be taken to Greenwood, for interment, this morning, at 10 o'clock.

At Astoria, L. I., on Monday, Feb. 1, CORNELIA AUGUSTA, only daughter of Gouverneur and Cornelia Kemble Gouverneur of the latter, aged 11 years, 2 months and 10 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, on Wednesday, 7th inst., at Smithtown Landing, Commodore's, L. I., at 2 o'clock P. M.

At Rock Ferry, near Liverpool, England, on Saturday, Jan. 23, MARY MILDRED, wife of John Gandy, and daughter of Coleman Williams of this City, in the 22d year of her age.

In Brooklyn, on Sunday, Feb. 4, CHARLES ROBINSON, son of Rockwood D. and Frances Whitlock.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 2 o'clock P. M., from the residence of his parents, No. 134 Johnson-st., Brooklyn, L. I.

At West Chester, N. Y., on Sunday morning, Feb. 4, S. FRANKLIN BOWNE, son of Sidney H. Bowne, in the 20th year of his age.

His friends, and those of the family, are invited to attend his funeral, from Friends' Old Meeting-house, in the village of West Chester, on the 6th inst., at 12 o'clock. Conveyance will be in waiting at the depôt of the Harlem Railroad, at Williamsbridge, for the train leaving the City depôt at ½ A. M.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

For Markets See Sixth Page.

Sales at the Stock Exchange ...Feb. 5.

$1,000 Tennessee 6s, '90	94	100 Cumb'l'd Coal Co	10
4,000 do	94	100 do	22
14,000 Tennessee 6s	95	100 do	23
1,000 Virginia 6s	91	100 do	24
2,000 do	92	100 do	25
2,000 Louisiana 6s	80	100 do	29
1,000 Kentucky 6s	100	100 do	30
12,000 Ill. Cent. R. Bds	100	100 Hudson River R. R.	40
11,000 R. Island 6s '70	85	100 do	41
2,000 do	86	100 do	42
1,000 Erie Bonds 6s '75	92	100 do	43
1,000 Erie Bonds 6s '76	92	100 do	44
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